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ASKS HITLER SEND 80,000 MORE TO SPAIN

Madrid Defenders Raid Foe's Trenches Under Cover of Fog—War Ministry Issues New Orders for Strict Military Secrecy

PARIS, Jan. 13 (UP).—A minimum of 80,000 men must be sent to Gen. Francisco Franco to assure a fascist victory in Spain, Gen. Wilhelm Faupel has informed Fuehrer Adolf Hitler, Genevieve Tabouis, political commentator of L'Oeuvre, said today. Faupel, German Charge d'Affaires at Burgos, made these recommendations:

1. Effective direction of military operations should be entrusted to a German-Italian general staff.

2. The "Phalanxists" should be given the task of organizing conquered territory to the exclusion of the "Carlists," as far as possible. Three hundred Hitler Youth instructors should be sent to instruct the Phalanxists. [Phalanxists are Fascists. Carlists are Monarchists, supporters of a rival to the recently deposed King Alfonso.]

PLAN MOROCCAN DRIVE

3. Economic control of Spanish Morocco should be given to Spanish companies in which German capital holds a majority of the shares as well as effective direction.

4. Territory in Morocco should be organized by German "volunteers" qualified for reorganization. Administration should be by German colonial experts.

5. German troops should be kept in Spain, even after the rebels' victory, until pacification of the country is complete.

Hitler was reported to have decided to act upon Faupel's suggestions and to have remarked that "we will not leave Spain until we receive colonies."

Madrid Front Quiet—New Ministry Orders

MADRID, Jan. 13.—Government military preparations went on today in strict secrecy, the War Ministry merely announcing: "Our troops continue to fortify positions lately taken from the Fascists."

Because of a low fog, there was almost complete inactivity on the Madrid front yesterday and last night. Today patrols fought between the lines and small government detachments raided enemy trenches under cover of the fog. The People's Army keeps in constant contact with the foe and gives him no rest.

Militiaman Felix Alonzo Blanco, believed by his comrades to be dead, was brought into a Madrid hospital today after spending nine days in a shell hole within 20 yards of the Fascist trenches.

During this time he had nothing to eat and only a few drops of rain water caught in his handkerchief.

Fascists Halt Soviet Ship

GIBRALTAR, Jan. 13 (UP).—It was reported here today that Spanish Fascist ships halted the Soviet ship Petrovich in the Gulf of Vascomia.

Fascists Shell British Ship

LONDON, Jan. 13 (UP).—Government circles were advised today that armed Fascist trawlers fired one shot on the British ship Bramhill off Cape Tarifa in the Strait

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Masses Love Stalin, Says Feuchtwanger

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 13. — "My first impression when I saw Stalin was that of directness and frankness, and in the course of a discussion lasting many hours, I could not see a single gesture that could be called posing," said Lion Feuchtwanger, German author, in a radio speech here last night.

"Stalin is clear to the point of sharpness in his words," Feuchtwanger continued. "He is ready to argue. He firmly defends what he says. He is not excessively polite, but on the other hand, is not in the least insulted if his partner in the discussion attacks his position.

"Stalin speaks with an openness which impresses, but he doesn't forego a certain, almost kindly, mischievousness. He has humor and he understands humor very well.

"One quickly realizes why the masses not only respect but love Stalin. He is part of themselves. He is the true representative of the 160,000,000 people of the Soviet Union—and in that way more dignified than any artist could imagine. At the same time, he manifestly has inner contradictions, and nothing human is foreign to him.

"Stalin, as he shows in his conversation, is not only a great statesman and a Socialist organizer, but is above all a real man."

No Butter for People But Krupp's Profits Keep Shooting Up

BERLIN, Jan. 13.—Krupp's steel works, the main arms factory of Germany, reflected the growth of militarism and the preparations for foreign conquest in its own way today.

The Fredrich Krupp Aktiengesellschaft announced a profit of $5,788,880 last year, as compared with $4,154,000 of the previous year.

The owners of Krupp's declared a four percent dividend, even after they had set aside $1,600,000 as "a special reserve for the fulfillment of obligations arising from Chancellor Hitler's Four Year Plan." It was the first dividend in fourteen years, and is further proof of the extent of recent rearmament activities on a big scale.

Krupp's employs about 100,000.

SCORES SHAM OF BRITAIN'S 'NEUTRALITY'

'We Started All of This,' Says Former M.P. From Scotland

By Ben Burns

"We're the biggest sinners of all. We started all of this."

Jennie Lee, former British Parliament member who arrived on the Aquitania yesterday, was referring to her country's sham neutrality stand on the Spanish people's fight for democracy.

The attractive young Britisher spoke energetically with a Scottish burr as she vigorously condemned the hypocritical non-intervention policy of the conservative government. Hastily she added that British working people were entirely opposed to the embargo.

"I don't remember anything in years that has stirred the English people as much as the Spanish issue," Miss Lee added.

A member of the Independent Labor Party, which has entered a united front with the Socialist League and Communist Party in England, she is in the United States for a seven-weeks lecture tour to appeal for aid to Spain under the

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Nazis Order Kids to Collect Old Bones

BERLIN, Jan. 13 (UP). — Germany today appealed to her school children to become bone collectors to aid the Nazi campaign for raw materials.

Yellow handbills were distributed by the organization for protection against waste, asking children to deliver bones to glycerine and soap factories.

MOTHERS CRY WITH JOY; SONS ARE SPARED

3 Negro Youths Snatched from Chair Tonight by Commutation

By Ben Davis, Jr.

(Daily Worker Harlem Bureau)

The dread pall of the grim reaper lifted yesterday from the families of Wentworth Springer, 17, and Lawrence Jackson, 18, and left in its place the bright happy faces of mother, father, brother and sister.

Springer, Jackson and Robert Talaferro, 19, three Negro youths, were scheduled to die in Sing Sing tonight on charges of murdering Morris Emert, a shopkeeper, of 1787 Madison Avenue, in September, 1935.

Governor Lehman commuted their sentences to life imprisonment yesterday following a wave of requests that the boys' lives be spared because of their youth.

THANKS DAILY WORKER

Mrs. Eleanor Springer, Wentworth's mother, who lives at 1465 Fifth Avenue, told a Daily Worker reporter:

"I want to thank all my friends for my happiness tonight. I want to thank your paper for the good things it did to save the boys' lives.

"Nothing in the world did it but all the telegrams and letters sent to the Governor. All of that helps, you know. I know many of them came from Negroes. It just goes to show that once Negroes get together, they can do something good," she beamed.

Mrs. Springer and Mrs. Gladys Jackson, mother of Lawrence, who lives at 68 E. 117th St., were at the death house when they heard the news of commutation. "We cried like little children," she said.

Asked where her husband was, she replied:

"I know he's out telling the news and thanking everybody."

Explaining that the "whole story would have been different" if her family had been rich, Mrs. Springer stated:

"With all the flimsy evidence they had against those boys, they never would have gone so far if there' been 'money behind them'."

CAN'T BELIEVE IT

Up at the Jackson apartment, in the center of Harlems fire-trap and slum area, Alfred, Lafrence's younger brother, could hardly believe that his brother's life had been saved.

Having just returned from school, the first he heard of it was when told by the Daily Worker. "Sure enough, you don't mean it," he said and his face broke out into a wide smile. "Mamma's gone up to the prison to see Lawrence now. Gee, I know shes happy."

But two other Negro boys, likewise doomed to death for a crime that lies rightfully on a rotting social system, are to die next Thursday. Their names are Charles Hamm, 20, and Frederick Fowler, 19, sentenced to electrocution on charges of murdering a Brooklyn shopkeeper in 1935.

Scores of protests have been sent to Gov. Lehman asking that their lives, too, be spared.

WPA Workers, Ill, Forced to Work For Fear of Job

Desperately clinging to their jobs under the bureaucratic terror which prevails in the WPA layoff program, hundreds of New York WPA workers with severe colds, grippe and influenza are reporting for work daily.

This criminal situation, in view of the current influenza and pneumonia epidemic, was called to the attention of National WPA Administrator Harry L. Hopkins yesterday in a letter from Willis Morgan, president of the City Projects Council, affiliate of the Workers Alliance of America.

Seamen Extend Picket Front

Underwood and Underwood

Striking seamen, whose picket lines have stretched along the three coast lines of the United States, last week moved into Washington. The two men above are picketing the Department of Commerce building in protest against the fink-book provision of the Copeland Act. These pickets will be reinforced and several thousand seamen are expected to mass in Washington on Monday.

Norman Thomas, Do You Back Cannon's Strikebreaking Assault on Bridges?

By EARL BROWDER

In the name of the Socialist Party of California, the Trotskyite James Cannon has issued the most shameful strikebreaking attack against Harry Bridges, the leader of the Pacific Maritime Federation.

Among the maritime workers of the Pacific Coast there is no need for us to come to the aid of Harry Bridges against this scandalous attack. They know Bridges through years of struggle and victory. They learned to trust him and to rely upon him in the most difficult times. Every new experience has increased their confidence in him.

But when the name of the Socialist Party is used to do this work of the open-shop employers of the Pacific Coast, at a time when we of the Communist Party are urging a united front with the Socialist Party, then the odium which Cannon's strikebreaking brings upon the Socialist Party reflects upon us also, and demands from us the most forceful protest.

We must make it clear, that when we call upon the Socialist Party for a united front, we are not proposing any degree of unity whatever with Cannon and the other counter-revolutionary Trotskyites who are daubing the name of the Socialist Party with their reactionary muck. A united front between us and the Socialists is conditional upon a common repudiation of the wrecking work of the Trotskyites.

Particularly I want to publicly call upon Norman Thomas to declare himself in relation to this latest strikebreaking action, which has received the endorsement of the **Socialist Call** for which he regularly writes. Norman Thomas, do you know what is being done in the name of your Party in California, and do you approve of it?

And while you are looking into these questions, are you familiar with the alliance set up in your name by Vincent Dunne, in Minneapolis, with the worst reactionaries of the labor movement, for the purpose of trying to wreck the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Party from within? And are you going to continue to allow such crimes to be committed by Trotskyites in the name of the Socialist Party?

The entire labor movement is entitled to an answer to these questions.

D. C. Cops Threaten Seamen Pickets Again

Police of the Capitol grounds and the Washington, D. C., area yesterday repeated their threat to attack with tear gas and arms, the impending mass picket lines of striking seamen against the Copeland "Fink" Bill.

A story carried in yesterday's Washington Post quoted police officials as stating that they have "tear gas and other armaments to prevent disorders."

Upward of 1,000 striking maritime workers will enter the Capitol this weekend from every major port along the Atlantic Coast to conduct mass picketing around the Department of Commerce Building, housing Secretary of Commerce Daniel C. Roper.

Pickets, constituting an advance guard to the mass delegations,

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Trucks and automobiles are badly needed, Seamen's strike headquarters at 164 Eleventh Ave. reported, to aid in transporting mass delegations of seamen to Washington, D. C., Saturday to protest the Copeland "Fink Book" bill. Individuals also are wanted to either loan or drive their automobiles from this city to the Capitol.

Other volunteers are wanted to aid in two city-wide tag days this coming Saturday and Sunday. Volunteers can register at 275 W. 22nd St., or telephone CHelsea 2-9756.

City Cut Funds -- So 125 Die Daily of Pneumonia

Failure to Provide for Serum Needs Causes Price to Rocket—Too Few Nurses and Inadequate Hospital Facilities—Laboratories Underfinanced

By Beth McHenry

Pneumonia deaths mount high into the thousands as the epidemic becomes daily more widespread and the shortage of nurses and pneumonia serum increases the tragedy of this affliction to the poor.

In New York City the average number of deaths per day has reached 125, but the number of flu cases cannot even be guessed at. As one doctor put it, "multiply the number of cases reported by 100 and you'll get something near the real number."

And the supply of pneumonia serum has run out. . . .

It's not a thing to be remedied in time to help check this epidemic. A year and a half of preparation goes into the make-up of pneumonia serum. Horses must be treated for at least a year before their blood contains the right number of antibodies. But the city failed to provide funds so that an

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GOVERNOR CALLS AUTO STRIKE PARLEY; 3,500 TIE UP ST. LOUIS SHOPS

Progressives Fight Congressional Bars

Rep. Boileau Fights Democrat Ruling for Only 3 Committee Assignments—Demands Recognition as Minority Party With 12% of Appointments

(By United Press)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—House Democrats and Republicans joined today to crush a fight by a Third Party modern legislative practice actually pass the laws of the bloc for better representation on the committees that in nation. They voted 235 to 10 to approve a committee slate apportioned by the 18 Democrats of the most powerful House Committee—Ways and Means. The third party bloc, numbering eight Progressives and five Farmer-Laboritta, could not muster its total strength, due to absences.

It was a fight predestined t failure, but that idd not preven Rep. Gerald J. Boileau, Wisconsin Progressive, from making a real fight for it. Many of the causes which Boileau advocates are the kind that take years of vigorous fighting before they begin to hold, and Boileau, aware of this, slashes out with vigor born of the conviction that some day time will prove him right.

ONLY THREE NAMED

What angered Boileau was that instead of being considered a minority group, entitled to minority committee assignments, the Democrats undertook to give the Progressives crumbs from their own table. When the majority slate was brought in it contained only three major committee assignments for the third party bloc.

[illegible] member of the Agriculture Committee, was a holdover from the 74th Congress. Rep. Paul J. Kvale, F.-L., Minn., won appointment to military affairs, and Rep. Gardner R. Withrow, Prog., Wis., to Interstate Commerce.

ENTITLED TO 12 PER CENIT

"We are entitled to 12¾ per cent of the major committee assignments as a minority group," Boileau shouted to the House. "We should have 10 assignments and we have only three. Is that fair? This is a mater of the rights of the American people. We represent constituencies just as you do.

"Under this procedure of the Ways and Means Committee we could stay here 100 years and never get anything more than we have now."

Rep. John W. McCormack, D., Mass., member of the Ways and Means, jumped up.

GET SOME SUPPORT

"Are you a national minority party?" he drawled insolently. The Wisconsin Progressive, angry before, went livid.

"That question was not raised when we voted with you last November!" he shouted.

"Yes," McCormack admitted, "but you had no other place to go."

"The day is coming," Boileau prophesied; "when the minority will be recognized."

The Progressives were not without defenders. Rep. Usher L. Burdick, nominally Republican, N. D., spoke for them and Rep. Maury Maverick, D., Tex., told his colleagues that "we should go out of our way" to vote with the third party bloc because it helped re-elect President Roosevelt.

But the leaders stood pat, let Boileau and his colleagues finish their debate, and then saw the House defeat them.

FIGHTING MAD

REP. GERALD BOILEAU

1,000 TO LEAVE FOR WPA MARCH

All Delegates to Capitol Demonstration Asked to Meet Tonight

The New York delegation to the Washington demonstration tomorrow against WPA layoffs and for WPA expansion will leave tonight aboard a special train, in busses and on trucks.

At least 1,000 persons — jobless, WPA workers, trade unionists and members of fraternal organizations —are expected to make up the New York contingent which will join some 2,000 others from all over the country to parade tomorrow in the nation's capital for a minimum deficiency appropriaton of $1,250,000,000 for relief.

100 FROM NEW ENGLAND

This figure, the Workers Alliance has pointed out, is the minimum under which adequate provision can be made for present WPA workers and for those who are eligible but who are being kept on home relief. This amount would also provide for a 20 per cent increase in WPA wages to meet the increased cost of living.

Accompanying the New York delegation on the special train which leaves at midnight will be more than 100 delegates from New England States and about the same number from New Jersey.

Final organization of the delegations will be effected, and final directives given at a meeting at 8

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3,000 Militiamen Now in Flint—7 Wounded Strikers Jailed

LEWIS TO JOIN TALKS

Weinstone Hits Use of 1,200 Warrants Held Over Strikers' Heads

By George Morris

(Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 13.—Steel-helmeted troops arriving in Flint will mount to 3,000, Governor Murphy announced as he called representatives of General Motors and the United Automobile Workers Union to meet in his office at Lansing at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Homer Martin, president of the auto union promptly accepted the governor's offer. General Motors officials later also agreed to be present.

John L. Lewis, chairman of the Committee for Industrial Organization was reported from Washington to have definitely decided to come to Detroit to survey the situation and to aid the committee of three of the union that will meet General Motors officials in the governor's office. Secretary of Labor Francis Perkins was also reported planning a trip to Detroit.

ALL GUARDSMEN YOUNG

The three representatives of the workers will be: Martin, John Brophy, director of the C.I.O., and Wyndham Mortimer, first vice-president of the United Auto Workers Union.

At 4 A. M. first units of the 126th Infantry were billeted at the old high school building in Flint opposite Flint police headquarters. Others were stationed at the Dresden Hotel.

At Detroit most units were mobilized in armories under the direction of Brigadier General and Police Commissioner Heinrich Pickert.

It is not yet known if Pickert, who has a notorious strikebreaking record, will be sent into the field. Nearly 1,000 Guardsmen came from Western Michigan's smaller communities.

The guardsmen arrived with full equipment including machine guns. Most of them were in their teens or early twenties. Their first job was to clean up the old school building which was turned into National Guard quarters.

MANY ARE UNION MEN

That union men among the National Guardsmen are not forgetting their interest as workers was dramatically illustrated today as Detroit units began mobilizing. Walter Reuther, president of the West Side local of the United Auto Workers Union, reported how a young union member of the National Guard on the way to his armory stopped at local headquarters to assure the union that he will do no strikebreaking.

"Don't worry, I am wearing my

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Alliance Aids Auto Strikers Get Relief

(Daily Worker Ohio Bureau)

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 13.—The Workers Alliance joined hands today with the local Auto Workers Union on strike at the Fisher Body to smash through the red tape and evasive policy of the Cuyhoga County Relief Administration to obtain food and coal for the strikers' families.

A committee of 25 strikers and Alliance members will call jointly Thursday morning at 11 o'clock to emphatically place before Clark Mock, director of County Relief, that immediate action is necessary.

Sit-Down Striker Is Called to Duty By National Guard

DETROIT, Jan. 13 (UP).—Consider the dilemma of Veri Laha.

Veri was a "sit-down" striker at the Cadillac Motor Plant this morning—that is, until a telegram arrived for him.

The telegram ordered him to report to the armory for strike duty in Flint. It seems he is a private, first class, in the 125th Infantry.

The shop committee called a special meeting and granted Laha permission to abandon his "sit-down."

Auto Section of the 'Daily'! *You* Can Help Do It

An Auto Workers Section of the Daily Worker.

This is what the Daily Worker will begin publishing twice a week — Wednesday and Saturday — for the duration of the great General Motors strike. The first section will appear this Saturday.

It will contain news, special articles and features written by correspondents on the spot. It will make clear the position of the Communist Party on the problems that arise in the course of the strike. It will pulsate with the spirit of the greatest labor struggle since the general textile strike of 1934.

FUNDS NEEDED

We want to put thousands of copies of this special section into the hands of the auto workers in Michigan, Ohio, and other auto centers. It will pour new power into the strike and show the way to victory over the gigantic General Motors trust.

There is only one obstacle in the way: lack of funds because of insufficient response in the financial drive. This is seriously interfering with the activities of the Daily Worker on every field.

MUST SPEED DRIVE

Of the more than $40,000 raised thus far in the $100,000 drive, three-fourths has come from the New York District. The other districts, with a few notable exceptions, have fallen down on the job.

The need of publishing the special Auto Workers Section calls for immediate action by the Communist Party in every district, and by all our readers, to speed up the drive.

DETROIT ISSUES CHALLENGE

The Michigan District (District 7), which has raised only about 25 per cent of its $5,500 quota, has pledged $1,000 within ten days. It has challenged the Ohio District (District 6), where the Cleveland Fisher Body strike is now taking place, to Socialist competition. What will be Ohio's answer?

And what of the other districts? Wisconsin, another auto center, has raised only 8 per cent of its quota; Illinois only 17.5 per cent; Massachusetts, 20 per cent; Philadelphia, 21.6 per cent; California, only 5.5 per cent. Immediate response from these and other lagging districts is essential.

The auto strikers are facing bullets and tear gas. On the result of their strike depends the whole future course of the struggle to organize the million of unorganized in the mass production industries.

Answer the General Motors' bullets with the dollars that will help make the Daily Worker a better fighter for the auto strikers and the American people as a whole.

Mass Send-off Tonight for 16 Medical Volunteers for Spain

COLUMN LEFT!

"Associated Press: Uncensored"

Grandpaw Can't Find Housing Shortage

By Harrison George

THE little town of Port Bou, Spain, is just across the border from France on the route to Barcelona.

The Associated Press is a great news agency.

But when the two get together, look out!

In Hearst's N. Y. American of Jan. 12, was a news item, beginning:

"PORT BOU, Spain, Jan. 11 (AP) (Uncensored).—Reliable reports reaching here. . . ."

And what, dear reader, were these "reliable reports"?

Firstly, that "scores of Madrid militiamen who retreated were shot." And this was "a major reason Madrid has held out for more than eleven weeks against besieging rebels."

Well, you'll think, maybe there's something to that. But read on, dear reader, and be amazed. The Associated Press gives you amazement in full measure when it says:

"Military experts said they did not believe any of Gen. Francisco Franco's attacks on Madrid have been with the object of taking it."

Well, well! So Franco was just wasting Hitler's and Mussolini's ammunition merely to wake the babies. He didn't want to TAKE Madrid! He was only fooling! All those stories, months ago, about his having all plans and men ready to install a Madrid police, with autos already painted "Madrid Police Department," that was just a practical joke!

The Associated Press goes on to explain a bit. You see, it says:

"When Franco's columns reached the Manzanares river two months ago, the militia's morale was undermined. Hundreds of the city's defenders tore up records of their political affiliations, threw their arms down sewers and the civilian population ripped up sheets to make white flags of surrender."

But Franco, being an obstinate cuss, didn't want a city that was ready to surrender like that. So says the Associated Press, anyhow. Because, although Madrid was ripe for surrender, the A. P.'s "reliable report" says:

"But the Rebel commander-in-chief evidently decided to pursue his policy of caution, rather than suffer possible defeat."

Make sense out of that, if you can! But, it's a "reliable report" of the Associated Press. And it's "uncensored."

Postscript: Spain has balanced its budget, apparently by devaluating the Franco.

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"WAAL," said Gramp, "I see where a Mrs. Sadie Salkin of 115 Columbia Street hung herself by her apron strings."

"Good gracious!" exclaimed Granny, pouring another cup of tea for the old man. "What did the poor soul do that for?"

"Lord knows," said Gramp. "No reason apparently. Had six kids and an unemployed husband, fired from the subway company after workin' 20 years. Mayor LaGuardia's relief investigators heard they had some relatives somewhere with a nickel or two and refused to help. Wanted them to practice Share the Poverty with the kin folks."

"My goodness!" fumed Granny. "I thought President Roosevelt said that nobody workless through no fault of their own would be let starve."

"Waal," Gramp protested, "she didn't starve, did she! Kinder unlucky woman, that's all. Seems she fell down stairs in the slum place they lived in an' broke her jaw. Needed an operation but couldn't get it because medical science wanted money an' she didn't have none. Couldn't eat any solid food, the doctor said. And the Relief Agency sort of made it impossible for her to get any food, solid or otherwise. Just unlucky, that woman."

"Grandpay Ezekiel Hebediah Smith! What do you mean 'UNLUCKY'? Poor souls like THEM! Having to live in those horrid slums! Land sakes, I wouldn't keep my dog in such places!"

"Aw' now Maw!" Gramp objected. "You're goin' off again into that dull question of housin'. Housin' said to be short. But shucks! Jest look at the lists of empty places. See this in the Times: 'Two rooms on 11th Street, only $40 a week.' Um, that's about $160 a month. But there's cheaper ones: 'Two rooms on 44th, from $110 monthly up.' An' another on 55th Street, $95 up, it says."

"Now, Paw!" said Granny. "You know that no six kids and two grown-ups can live in two rooms. I jest never. . . ."

"Waal," injected Gramp. "Here's a bigger place: 'Four rooms on 54th, for only $1,600 a year an' up; five rooms $1,750 an' up. . . .' A lot o' them 'UPS'."

But, poor Granny had passed out. The housing shortage had one more victim. Granny had gone "UP," too.

Hand of Solidarity to Spain

John Little, New York State Secretary of the Young Communist League, shakes the hand of Juan Ruiz, 23, Catalonian metal worker, who toured Mexico to obtain aid for the Spanish people. Looking on is Lena Imbert, 24, school teacher, member of the Spanish delegation from Catalonia. Little had just presented the youth envoys with a banner from the Young Communist League to the United Youth League of Catalonia.

Spain Envoys Given Banner From Y.C.L.

Two young envoys from Spain's Unified Socialist Youth who have been travelling through Mexico for the past two months were yesterday presented with a banner to take back to their organization by the Young Communist League.

In the making the presentation yesterday, John Little, executive secretary of the New York State Y.C.L., said to the two, Juan Ruiz, 23, a metal worker, and Lena Imbert, 24, school teacher:

"The Young Communist League presents this banner to you as a symbol of the solidarity and deep feeling we have for our young comrades in Spain, who are sacrificing their lives to make the world safe from fascism and its savagery."

Present were Little, Gil Green, national secretary, Jessie Taft, Lou Sarti and Sam Banks.

Pageantry to Mark Memorial Tomorrow

Lenin-Liebknecht-Luxemburg Meeting to Dramatize Activities of Youth Organization at St. Nicholas Palace—Green Speaks

The Lenin-Liebknecht-Luxemburg memorial pageant being offered by the Young Communist League at St. Nicholas Palace tomorrow evening, will mark a milestone in dramatic activities conducted by the organization.

For several months, Y.C.L. branches in schools, settlement houses, trade unions and local neighborhoods have been experimenting with new dramatic forms. As most of the material presented at branch meetings has dealt with current events, quick-fire repertorial announcements interspersed with re-enactments of actual happenings have caught the imagination.

Satirical versions of the "March of Crime" and the "March of Time," attacking reactionary and fascist trends, have been the most popular. Side by side with this have developed such features as the "March of Youth" series, presented regularly by the West Side Sacco-Vanzetti branch. Amateur radio skits, local dance and choral groups are familiar sights in Y. C. L. branches throughout the city.

With Friday's production, the League is taking the first step towards establishing a permanent Young Communist Theatre in New York, on a higher technical basis.

The commemoration meeting will feature in addition to the pageant, a timely address by Gil Green, national secretary of the Young Communist League.

BERNARD, FOE OF EMBARGO, MAIN SPEAKER

Corps Leaving with Hospital Outfit on Saturday

Sixteen volunteers in America's first medical corps to go to Spain will be given a send-off by New York friends of Spanish democracy tonight at a mass farewell party at the Manhattan Opera House Ballroom, 311 W. 34th St.

The group will leave Saturday morning for Madrid on the liner S. S. Paris under the auspices of the Medical Bureau of the American Friends of Spanish Democracy.

BERNARD TO SPEAK

Congressman John T. Bernard, Farmer-Laborite from Minnesota, who was the sole opponent in Congress against the embargo on Spain, will be the main speaker at the send-off for the medical unit. This will be his first New York appearance.

In the medical corps, picked from 200 volunteers throughout the nation will be a chief surgeon, four assistant surgeons, six nurses, one laboratory technician, two ambulance drivers, a pharmacist, and an interpreter who will also act as clerk to the contingent. Ernest Hemingway, famous novelist who was an ambulance driver with the Italian Army during the World War, is head of the sponsoring committee for the corps.

COST $28,500

Total cost of this first American medical expedition, which includes four speedy ambulances and tons of other supplies, was $28,500.

All of the volunteers who were chosen on the basis of merit by a Special Medical Board will appear on the stage at tonight's send-off in full uniform with a special insignia designed for the group.

When the American corps gets to Spain they are expected to proceed to Madrid under the supervision of the Spanish Ministry of Health. They will be quartered with the British Medical corps, which is manned by 44 and includes 10 ambulances.

AN ADVANCE UNIT

Saul Carson, executive director of the Medical Bureau, yesterday said the group was just an advance unit to prepare the ground for a large expedition which will set up an American base hospital for the government forces.

Half of the staff of the expedition are married and all are leaving jobs and families to aid the Spanish government fight against fascism.

Speakers besides Bernard who will pay tribute to the unit tonight will be Dr. Henry E. Sigerist, director of the Institute of Medical History at Johns Hopkins University and the Rev. Herman Reissig, executive secretary of the North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy. Col. Frank T. Woodbury, retired U. S. Army Medical Corps doctor, will preside.

Anna Strong Back From Spain; Sees Victory Sure

Says People Are Optimistic and Confident of Victory—Finds Population United in Their Determination to Smash Fascism

Anna Louise Strong, famous American writer, arrived in New York from Spain yesterday enthusiastic about the spirit of the Spanish people and convinced of their ultimate victory. Miss Strong, who was three weeks in Spain, said there is no defeatism within the government forces.

"There is pronounced optimism everywhere in Spain," declared Miss Strong, who is best known for her works on the Soviet Union. "You feel instantly that these people have their lives in their hands and are going ahead, joyously looking to the future."

PEOPLE CONFIDENT

In Madrid, she related, you would have difficulty in believing that the city has been bombarded so many times. Daytime activity continues as if nothing were wrong. If a shell falls in one street, people go right on eating, shopping, doing business in the next.

"Madrid certainly does not give the impression of a 'gone' city," she went on. "But it's the trenches that gave me the biggest thrill. I was in one that was fixed up like an underground city, with streets marked and dugouts named 'Hotel Madrid' or 'Hotel International.' You can understand why even the foreign capitalist correspondents are sure that the people will win this war."

PRAISES NEW ARMY

Commenting upon the splendid organization and discipline of Madrid and other centers, Miss Strong mentioned the Spanish National People's Army, into which are now gathered all of the defense forces. Their discipline is excellent, she said.

Asked about the women, she replied enthusiastically that they are more splendid than already reported. Their untiring and courageous activity is one of the big factors in the Spanish defense.

WOMEN IN LEADING ROLES

"At first the women went into the first line trenches with the men," she said, "but now an effort is being made to use their services for the very necessary behind the line' jobs. Women are assuming positions of political leadership, they are conducting the hospitals and teaching in the schools."

Education, said Anna Louise Strong, is being emphasized today in Spain as never before. Everyone is going to classes whenever possible. Artists and other groups are putting their talents at the disposal of the government. She displayed a bookful of fine paintings published in Valencia.

ARTISTS AID PEOPLE

"These are the war time artists of Spain," she explained. "All of the Spanish artists are giving their time to the making of posters—educational and propaganda. Nobody withholds himself in that country today."

Questioned about William Carney, former Madrid correspondent for the New York Times, Miss Strong said the best answer to that fellow was the opinion held by all other correspondents of him. He is disgraced in the eyes of all honest journalists, she declared.

Anna Louise Strong said she saw Ralph Fox in Madrid just before he left to go into the trenches. She paid a tribute to the well-known young English writer who gave his life for democracy in Spain.

"He gave himself willingly," she said. "In every word and gesture he showed himself true to the cause of progress—a young man with convictions and ideals for which he was ready to die. His great love was for the people."

Paris and U. S. Envoys Discuss War Debt Issue

PARIS, Jan. 13 (UP).—France's war debt to the United States was discussed at a meeting today between Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos and William C. Bullitt, United States Ambassador, the Paris Soir reported.

Soir said Bullitt explained that Washington sees no reason for haste, as a definitive settlement imposes on the United States moral obligations which at present it is not ready to assume, so that the question could easily be postponed.

As a result, Soir indicated, the appointment of Georges Bonnet as a special war debt ambassador to Washington also will be postponed.

The United States Embassy denied that Ambassador Bullitt and Foreign Minister Delbos had discussed the war debt problem.

Nazis Laud War For Development Of 'the Individual'

BERLIN, Jan. 13.—A leading article lauding war as the greatest thing that develops the character of the individual and of the nation was published today in "Das Schwartze Korps," organ of the blackshirt "S.S." elite section of the armed forces.

"There will be further wars," said the article, and proceeded to describe the "devotion to comradeship" and "hardiness in an extraordinary degree" brought about by war, saying that "to experience such things has always been a gain for all really manly characters."

TWO COUNCILS WEIGH THE NEW SOVIET BUDGET

School Expenditures Up 36 Per Cent Over the Past Year

(By Cable to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Jan. 13.—From shop and factory and farm the Central Executive Commiittee of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics is in session here today discussing the budget proposed yesterday by Peoples Commissar Grigori Grinko.

They are meeting today in their two chambers, the council of nationalities, with equal representation from each of the republics that make up the country, and the union council which has representation from the same republics, but according to population.

Both councils are talking the language of figures, in a calm, quiet business-like manner.

POINTS RAISED

The main points raised today are on the relation of the budget estimates to the increased growth of industry and agriculture, such things as: 20 per cent increase in industrial production, retail trade by 23 per cent, railway freight traffic by 16.6 per cent, and the number of new factories that will begin work this year.

It has been established that in efficiency and rapidity of growth, the place of honor is held by Soviet heavy industry. It will be able to contribute this year 29.3 per cent more than last year.

The great improvement in the work of the railways during the last 12 months permits a big increase in their contribution to the state budget.

The income this year from production and circulation of goods will be 76.7 billion rubles, that is, the great bulk of the state's income. ($1 equals 5 rubles.) There is a 16.5 per cent increase in the revenue from such production and trade. But along with it goes a 5 per cent reduction in the income from the sale of vodka, and this small detail gives proof in a striking manner of the change in the ideals and desires of the mass of the population.

[There is no prohibition, liquor is cheap, and can be bought in most grocery stores as well as in special shops and by the glass in most restaurants.]

MORE SCHOOL FUNDS

Included in the appropriations is 36 per cent increase in the expenditures for schools, kindergartens, children's homes. For kindergartens alone, the increase is 65 per cent. The amount spent for educational purposes this year is 18.5 billion rubles.

The expenditure for social insurance payments to women for their holiday during pregnancy is more than doubled this year. The amount set aside for assistance to mothers with large families, for maintenance and building of children's homes, for maternity hospitals, milk depots, etc. is raised from 1.8 billion rubles last year to 3.2 billion this year.

The total to be spent for capital construction (new plants and machinery) is 32.5 billion rubles.

RAISE DEFENSE ISSUES

In the Council of Nationalities the discussion gave proof that many formerly oppressed nationalities and tribes are now producing statesmen, able to do their part in the complicated big business of a socialist nation whose budget runs into impressive figures.

It was brought out that the budgets of the new republics especially are increasing. The budget of the newly created Kirghizian and Kazakh union republics, the budget of the first went up 69 per cent and of the second 46 per cent. The Armenian republic's budget increased 31 per cent, that of Azerbaidjan 26 per cent. These last two formerly belonged with Georgia to a common union republic, the Transcaucasian Federation. By the terms of the constitution recently adopted, they now have equal and separate status as union republics.

The question of the defense of all that the Soviet people have won frequently arises in the discussion. Delegate Vershinin, from Kuibishev Area vigorously expressed the feelings of the whole session when he said in the course of his speech:

"Let the Fascists try to touch us! The Soviet country and the whole powerful Soviet people will answer fittingly to this attempt, and we will defeat the enemy on his own soil!"

Ethiopian Chieftains Sent to Penal Island

NAPLES, Jan. 13 (UP). — Ras Imeru, cousin of Emperor Haile Selassie, and the Dejatch Tale Gulelatie, two prominent Ethiopian chieftains who hold out against the Italian troops, arrived today as prisoners on the steamer Colombo. They will be placed in exile on a penal island northwest of Naples.

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Gov. Lehman's Message Fails to Carry Out People's Mandate of Nov. 3; Communist Party Lists Chief Changes Needed in Legislative Program

Statement by New York State Committee of the Communist Party

Governor Lehman's message to the State legislature reflects, in some measure, the strength of the labor forces as expressed in the November election. While its conscientious and liberal tone is praiseworthy, the people of the state cannot be satisfied with its generally vague and inadequate provisions and, in some instances, its failure to give any consideration whatever to some of the most urgent problems facing the people of our State.

WPA RELIEF AND SOCIAL SECURITY

President Roosevelt's budget message destroys the hope expressed by Governor Lehman that WPA cuts will not go "too far." Governor Lehman is in favor of "cutting off WPA workers who are actually in need only when they can be absorbed in private industry." The determination of who is "actually in need" has meant continued terrorization and repeated inquisitions of WPA workers. "Only when they can be absorbed in private industry" is no assurance of continued WPA employment at union wages.

Both the President and Governor Lehman have attacked "sub-standard wages" in private industry. A measure of their sincerity is the abolition of substandard wages on WPA. Federal, state and municipal government should cooperate to provide socially useful work at union wages to all unemployed. This would to some degree force private industry to pay union wages for its labor force.

Progressives can endorse the Governor's recommendations in regard to prohibition of the garnishment of wages received within three months by former relief recipients, the authorization to state and local agencies to carry on work relief; and the extension for another year of the power conferred upon local governments to issue bonds for relief.

The crucial point, however, of establishing at law **the absolute right to relief at fixed minimum adequate relief standards with no discrimination whatsoever,** is omitted. **A humane relief program requires a $10 per week minimum per client and $3 for each dependent. Relief must be granted during investigation. Discrimination because of sex, race, color, or nationality should be expressly forbidden. The Workers Alliance of America, trade unions and the relief agency employees must be represented in the administrative and executive bodies of the relief agency.**

The Governor's Social Security program is a most pitiful attempt at "social security." It excludes many. It is financed out of the pockets of workers and consumers. Its standards and pensions are inadequate. Its revision to conform in principle to the Frazier-Lundeen Bill is essential.

RELIEF ADMINISTRATION AND CIVIL SERVICE

The Governor states, "In establishing a permanent agency, the Legislature declared that the fundamental principles of competitive civil service shall be respected." In New York City this has been distorted to serve as a means for the politically dominated Civil Service Commission to attempt to fire the unionized relief administration employees and to smash their organization. Under the guise of "fundamental principles of civil service" there is an attempt to remove the experienced and qualified relief employees and to further decrease the inadequate relief staff.

THE LABOR PROGRAM

The Governor's labor program is by no means complete, and in many respects far from realistic. The Supreme Court had made clear that it will hold unconstitutional any kind of minimum wage law, even though it is limited to women and children.

In view of this decision and the companion decision of the Supreme Court to deny the Federal Government the power to act against sweatshop wages, the need for curbing the power of the Court and for amendment to the Constitution is clear. Yet the Governor says he "favors the amending of the State and Federal Constitution . . . to give our working women a decent wage; to preserve American standard of living if it should be found necessary."

The most elementary labor program should include **minimum wages and maximum hours for all workers of the State with special provisions for women and youth.**

We endorse the Governor's call for the ratification of the Child Labor Amendment. Yet we must point out that the Democratic Party, of which the Governor is the leader, has in the past worked hand in glove with the Republican Party in depriving the people of this State of an opportunity to vote on the Child Labor Amendment. When the Governor's party was in complete control of both the Senate and the Assembly it failed to pass the Child Labor Amendment and the Governor's party, in control of the Senate, at the last session buried the bill in committee.

The Governor admits that the hotel industry "has somehow managed to obtain immunity" from protective labor legislation. We endorse his demand for regulation of working conditions in hotels, but we see no attack on those forces "which have somehow managed to obtain immunity." The Governor's proposal to regulate fee charging employment agencies is a step in the right direction. Their plunderings of workers are notorious.

Similarly, the proposal to regulate strikebreaking agencies shows a responsiveness to the tremendous labor vote last November. But that vote is being misconstrued. The mandate of that vote was not to regulate strikebreaking agencies, but to abolish them. That mandate was a clear call for a realistic labor program guaranteeing the right to collective bargaining. It calls for a thirty-hour law. It calls for wages and hour legislation to protect workers on subways from the shameful working conditions and the public from the dangers created when men work twelve hours a day and seven days a week, as they do in many cases on the I.R.T. and B.-M.T. in New York City. It calls for the State Government to give contracts only to those firms operating under union conditions. It calls for protection of union workers in public utilities.

The Governor's statement avoids all of these problems.

AGRICULTURE

The governor's program on agriculture is inadequate. Why not a vigorous campaign for State control of state power and State construction of power lines and State sale of power to bring cheaper electricity to the farmer?

The governor's milk control program continues to be a program that protects the profits of the big milk companies at the expense of the dairymen and farmers. He proposes to continue the shameful practice of using state funds to bribe the state newspapers to keep their mouths shut on the milk question under the guise of an advertising campaign to increase the consumption of milk. Millions in urban and rural sections are only too anxious to drink more milk, withut advertising, if the price is brought down. We favor representation of consumer and producing farmer on any milk control agency. We favor the establishment of maximum for consumers and of a flat price for all milk to be paid to the farmers when delivered. The present system of classification according to the use made by the milk companies is a method of defrauding the farmer, and the governor's proposal of auditing the books and records of milk dealers will not end this evil. While we are in favor of a thorough investigation of the spread and the price of milk, we believe that steps should be taken to prevent this investigation from becoming the farce the last one was, because it was controlled by the big milk companies themselves.

The establishment of maximum consumer prices and of municipal milk distributing agencies as a yardstick of milk prices would bring prices and profits down to a fair level faster than any investigation, especially investigations controlled by Borden's and Sheffield's.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

We endorse the governor's proposal to end the methods by which utility companies pick the pockets of the consumer by fraudulent construction contracts. But we strongly oppose his proposal to give the Public Service Commission jurisdiction over municipally-owned power plants. Since the Public Service Commissions are generally controlled in this state by the American Utility Combine "Niagara Hudson-Consolidated Edison," this proposal may at some future date give private companies a weapon with which to destroy municipal competition. Municipally owned power plants can well be taken care of by the municipalities themselves.

Neither the governor nor the mayor has lifted a finger to amend the municipal power plant law so that the people of New York City may vote on it.

"ANTI-CRIME" BILLS

We oppose the governor's so-called anti-crime program on the ground that it presents no cure for the crime situation, but constitutes a disinct menace to labor. We have pointed out time and time again that the best anti-crime program is a program for increased wages, proper housing and slum clearance. It is necessary in order to lessen crime not to pass more penal laws, but to eliminate the causes that breed crime, such as unemployment, slum conditions and an inadequate school and health program.

HOUSING

It is to be regretted that the governor offers no immediate recommendation in regard to the low rent housing shortage which affects the lives of two million people in New York City alone. An immediate stay on evictions and rent raising is essential. Passage of the Post-Prior Lien Bill which permits municipalities to make repairs and place the charges on the owner is now an urgent need. Discrimination in renting because of color or nationality should be outlawed. A long term housing program modeled after the Federal Scott Bill is one of the primary obligations of this legislative session.

STATE CIVIL SERVICE

Tenure must be established for all civil service employes of the state and strengthened for those state employes (teachers) that now enjoy some measure of protection. The right to organize, strike and picket should be established by law for all workers, including government employes. All wage cuts of civil service workers can and should be restored. The right to participate fully in the political life of the state must not be limited through any coercive legislation such as loyalty oaths or local departmental regulations. All such coercive measures (Ives Loyalty Oath) should be repealed.

TAXATION

A legislative program beneficial to the people requires adequate financing and a well planned taxation program. The basic principle should be, "The Rich Must Pay." The most immediate need is a revision of the state personal income tax so that taxation begins at $2,500 for a single person and $5,000 for a married person. The tax should be steeply graduated in the upper brackets.

CIVIL RIGHTS

The governor is silent on many important questions affecting civil rights. We call upon the governor to support a program of complete civil rights for the Negro people, and we urge him to support legislation guaranteeing the rights of minority political parties to a place on the ballot. We approve of the governor's proposal to permit the initiation of constitutional changes and revision by petitin, and we demand that all minority parties be represented in the Commission to be appointed by the governor for the preparation of material for the coming state constitutional convention.

The governor and our state legislature can be made to heed the voice of the people as expressed in November, for a fuller and a better life. The trade union forces, the consumers, the farmers and all progressives must together plan a **people's legislative program.** Organization and struggle can place on the statute books of our state a progressive social program. The N. Y. State Committee of the Communist Party calls for united effort of the people of our state in the formulation and realization of such a program.

Tomorrow's Daily Worker will carry S. W. Gerson's article on Gov. Lehman's legislative message and program, originally scheduled for today.

Strike Movement in Mass Production Industries

Toward a People's Front--Historic Tasks Are Facing Progressive Labor Leaders

This is the last of a series of articles on the Strike Movement in the Mass Production Industries by William Z. Foster, chairman of the Communist Party, who was the leader of America's greatest strike, the 1919 steel strike. Today Foster emphasizes the political responsibilities the progressive leaders of the trade union movement must face.

By William Z. Foster

Toward a National Farmer-Labor Party

A victory in steel, with its resultant mass enthusiasm and increased fighting spirit, must especially be utilized to strengthen the workers politically. It is disastrous folly for the workers to support and depend upon the old political parties. This is true also of the present administration. The Roosevelt government is a capitalist government and will of its own volition do nothing to infringe upon the real interests of the great financial rulers of the country. All that the workers will get from the present government is what they have the organized power and good sense to fight for. The workers and other toilers must have their own political party and political program.

The next months should see great political activity on the part of the workers, farmers, and lower middle class elements. In conferences and meetings they should map out united front programs of state and national legislative demands and then give them the solid backing of all their trade unions, farmers' organizations, progressive blocs in Congress and state legislatures, and of the workers' and farmers' political parties. Meanwhile, they should also systematically set up local and state Farmer-Labor Parties, wherever there is a sufficient mass basis. This whole developing political movement should go in the direction of the formation, as soon as possible, of a great national Farmer-Labor Party, the beginning of a broad People's Front in the United States to wage struggle against the growing menace of hunger, fascism and war.

Clearly, the C.I.O. has a heavy responsibility to further this progressive political work. The reactionary A. F. of L. leaders have refused to develop independent political action by the workers and they know no other political policy than to keep the masses enchained to the Republican and Democratic Parties. It is highly dangerous to further neglect building a great Farmer-Labor Party of the toiling masses. These masses are more and more showing signs of breaking with the two old parties, and if organised labor does not give them the lead with a new party, they are exposed to the serious danger of falling under the control of such demagogues and fascists as Hearst, Coughlin, Smith, Lemke, Townsend, etc. The organization of the workers in the mass production industries, and particularly if there is a victory in steel, will lay sufficiently broad foundations for a great Farmer-Labor Party in the United States and otherwise facilitate its development. History thrusts upon the C.I.O. the responsibility of bringing such a party into actual being.

The Struggle for World Peace

With the great strengthening of the trade union movement in numbers, program, leadership and class consciousness that will come from the organization of the workers in steel and other basic industries the trade union movement of this country must take a more positive part in the struggle to maintain world peace and democracy. The world is facing the war threats and tyranny of the fascist aggressors, the Hitlers, Mussolinis, Francos, etc., and more and more the democratic forces of the world, with the Soviet Union at their head, are organising to prevent these fascist barbarians from deluging the world with a new and more terrible blood-bath. The American workers must do their share, side by side with the democratic forces of other countries, to hold back this threatening slaughter and to defend the very existence of civilization itself.

The A. F. of L. policy of non-participation in world affairs is fatally wrong. Despite the sophistries of President Roosevelt, William Green, Norman Thomas, and a host of others, there can be no neutrality for the United States in the war that the fascists are now so busily preparing. The whole world will be drawn into the slaughter if and when it comes. The only way America can be kept out of war is by keeping war out of the world. At all costs, the American workers must help stop the approaching war by supporting the policy of a collective security against the fascist aggressors. We must give active aid to the brave Spanish workers and peasants who are now struggling heroically against the fascist butchers; we must support militantly the peace program of the Soviet Union; we must re-affiliate the American trade unions with the Amsterdam trade union International; we must connect up our own forces with the anti-fascist fighters for peace in every country. And all these measures must be backed up by a powerful united front peace movement in this country, consisting of trade unions, farmers' organizations, professionals' associations, youth organizations, peace societies, women's clubs, religious bodies, local Farmer-Labor Parties, Socialist Party, Communist Party, etc. As a mass progressive force the C.I.O. has the task to draw the great body of trade unionists into this vital struggle for peace.

Role of the C.I.O.

The C.I.O., led so aggressively by John L. Lewis, is doing a historically important thing in carrying on its vigorous campaign to organize the armies of exploited workers in the mass production industries. As we have seen, this campaign has within it possibilities for a fundamental strengthening and reorganization of the whole American labor movement. The C.I.O. has become the actual leader of the trade union movement. The Executive Council of the A. F. of L. has shown itself opposed to this vital organization work and because of its narrow craft union and personal interests, has refused for many years past to do the organizing that the C.I.O. is now undertaking. Had it so desired, the A. F. of L. could have easily organized the steel workers during the war, or during the Coolidge period of prosperity, or during the strike upheavals under the NRA in 1933-1934. But the A. F. of L. wanted nothing to do with the organization of the steel workers. And worse yet, now that the C.I.O. unions, which are awake to the basic importance of this task to themselves and all other workers, are proceeding to accomplish the organising work that the Executive Council has so long neglected or prevented, the Executive Council actually suspends them, one-third of the whole labor movement, from the A. F. of L., and thus traitorously splits Labor's forces in the face of the enemy. Never, even in the shady history of the A. F. of L., has misleadership sunk to lower levels. The A. F. of L. Executive Council has surrendered the actual leadership of the trade unions into the hands of the C.I.O.

The Communist Party heartily supports the C.I.O. organizing campaigns in steel, automobile, rubber, glass, textile, etc., and it mobilizes all its forces to assist in this work. It extends this aid for the same reason that it supports every forward movement of the workers wherever it may originate or what form it may take, whether it be a strike, an organization campaign, the carrying on of independent working class political activity, or what not. The Communist Party has no interests apart from those of the working class, and every victory of the workers is a victory for the Communist Party. But in supporting the C.I.O.'s organizing work the Communist Party does not fail to point out constructively and in a friendly spirit whatever it may consider to be weaknesses in that work, such as the insufficient mobilization of the progressives in the craft unions to support the C.I.O.'s position, hesitancy in using more aggressive methods of mass organization work, under-estimation of trade union democracy, failure to raise the question of industrial unionism regarding the craft unions themselves, insufficient orientation towards the formation of a national Farmer-Labor Party. Also the Communist Party, with its revolutionary program, looks far beyond the perspective of the C.I.O. It aims at the abolition of the capitalist system and the complete liquidation of the exploitation of man by man through the private ownership of industry and the land, by the establishment of socialism.

The C.I.O. has done very good work up to date, but its biggest tasks still remain ahead. There is to be considered not only the successful completion of the organization drives in steel, auto, etc., but also, as I have pointed out, the broad tasks of consolidating the victory; that is, of realizing the full economic and political possibilities of the C.I.O. movement, including the extension of the organization work far and wide in industry generally; the re-establishment of a unified democratized A. F. of L., based on industrial unionism and a class struggle policy and with a progressive leadership; the foundation of a great united front Farmer-Labor Party as the beginning of an American People's Front; the building up of a great peace movement, etc. These tasks confronting the C.I.O. amount, in sum, to a veritable renaissance of the whole American trade union movement.

John L. Lewis and other C.I.O. leaders, although having a very conservative background, have shown a real spirit of progress in the development of the C.I.O. movement. Their progressive advance was a most extraordinary development to take place in the ranks of the reactionary A. F. of L. trade union leadership. And to accomplish the historic tasks of the great forward development of which they stand at the head, new tests will be made of their responsiveness to the masses' needs. To realise in full the implications and possibilities of the situation they will have to display the broadest vision and livest progressivism. They have in their hands the opportunity to do a most fundamental service to the working class, not only of America, but also of the whole world.

HISTORY REPEATS

TOM MOONEY

EARL KING

BANKS PICKED JURY TO TRY KING, RAMSEY

Frameup of Marine Union Officials Shown in Court Testimony

(Special to the Daily Worker)

OAKLAND, Calif., Jan. 13.—Alameda County's vicious jury system, which an indignant public outlawed from San Francisco County as a result of the Mooney-Billings case, figures prominently in the conviction of the three members of the Marine Firemen's Union.

When arguments for a new trial, both under the penal code and on constitutional grounds, are heard on Jan. 20 defense attorenys will present evidence showing that jurors told outright lies during their examination prior to being accepted for the trial.

All jurors in Alameda County, as in San Francisco before the Mooney trial, are selected by a single jury commissioner. This creates a "professional" juror system, where the same jurors are selected on panel after panel, and prosecuting attorneys know in advance which are "convicting" jurors who traditionally accept the recommendation of the district attorney.

BANKS PICKED JURY

Furthermore, Jury Commissioner William Gale admitted on the witness stand prior to the selection of the jury, that he had empaneled the jury from recommendations by the Bank of America, the American Trust Company, the Central National Bank of Oakland, the Elks and other such organizations.

He said "various industrial plants offered the names of prospective jurors," and again that "specific business houses," including several brokerage houses, suggested names.

The fourth "defendant" is not a defendant. He is George Wallace, nominally represented by Public Defender Willard Shea. All evidence pointed to him as either the actual killer or an associate of the killer, who was used to drag in the union officials.

The jury had only Wallace's testimony to link King, Ramsay and Conner with the killing. Wallace himself has been accused by two witnesses of being the actual killer.

William Pritchard, secretary-treasurer of the Union Recreation Center in San Francisco, testified he was asked by Wallace on the morning of March 22 to go to Alameda and help "work over" an engineer. This testimony was disregarded.

SAW WALLACE AT CABIN

Frank Corrigan, second assistant engineer, testified he saw Wallace at the door of Alberts' cabin at the time of the murder. The district attorney acknowledged Corrigan had offered to testify to this for the prosecution.

Instead the jury accepted Wallace's story that he was never closer than 27 feet from Alberts' cabin. They accepted as fact his testimony that he had heard the groans of the dying man from a distance.

They were told by A. M. Murphy, police spy and former assistant secretary of the union, that he had on orders of King given $30 to Ramsay the day before the killing for "expenses" and that he had entered this on the union books, but confronted with the books he was unable to find the item he said he had entered.

Judge Ogden said he didn't believe Pritchard and Corrigan, but that he believed Wallace. He said Wallace was "inconsistent" with the outright witnesses for the prosecution, but was "logical and convincing."

Benson Pledges Relief to 4,000 Striking Minnesota Lumberjacks

Governor Promises Probe of Any Attempts at Strikebreaking

DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 13.—Relief for the 4,000 striking lumberjacks and State investigation of any attempts at strikebreaking were promised in a telegram from Governor Elmer Benson to Fred Lequier, president of the Timber Workers' Union Local 2776.

GOV. BENSON

Flying squadrons are travelling trough the state to close down the few small camps still open.

The strike began on Jan. 3, the workers demanding a minimum wage of $4 for an 8-hour day, improved conditions, and recognition of the union.

The text of Gov. Benson's telegram read:

"Upon receipt of your letter I contacted State Relief Administrator Zimmerman and am assured that provision will be made to provide relief to timber strikers where such aid is required. If any attempt is made at strikebreaking, kindly advise me and I will have representative of the State Industrial Comission make a personal investigation of the situation."

ILLINOIS LABOR PARTY SEEKS FARM TIES

Backs Spain, Endorses Auto Strike and Asks Expansion of WPA

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 13.—The Illinois Labor Board at last is taking definite steps to abandon its "organized labor alone" slogan, and draw the farmers into alliance with the city workers to fight for better conditions, and political ascendancy.

The Executive Board meeting held in Aurora, Jan. 9 and 10, voted to contact farmer organizations, with the purpose of uniting for the political struggle, and the Action Committee, a smaller group from the Executive, announced that such contacts were now being established.

The new plan comes chiefly as the result of meetings between the Illinois party and the Farmer Labor Parties of Minnesota and Wisconsin. A recent conference between these organizations adopted a decision that the Illinois party should get acquainted with the farmers and their problems.

SEEK UNIFICATION

The Executive Committee heard reports on the tri-state conferences and the proposal to work toward a Midwestern Farmer-Labor Conference was adopted. To this end, a committee of five, made up of two each from the Minnesota and Wisconsin organizations, and one from the Illinois Party is proposed. The idea of setting up a unified program in the different states was also approved.

Organizational reports show a steady growth of the Labor Party in many sections of the state. The conference voted to write a letter to Labor's Non-Partisan League, urging it to act more vigorously on the campaign pledge of permanent organization.

The Labor Party executive took a strong stand on three world questions: the fascist invasion of Spain, the auto organization drive, and the Workers Alliance demand for a billion and a quarter appropriations to continue WPA at full strength and improve living standards for WPA workers.

The resolution on Spain declared that a "genuine labor movement cannot be neutral in any struggle between workers and fascists any place in the world," and that fascism in Spain was trying to duplicate the destruction of working class organization it had accomplished in Germany and Italy. It condemned the arms embargo against the democratic Spanish government, and declared this in effect was aid to fascism in its armed assault on democracy. It protested against this embargo, and demanded adherence to the traditional American support of democratic peoples against despotism. Copies of the resolution were sent to Roosevelt and the Congress.

HAILS AUTO UNION

The resolution on the auto workers strike said the Labor Party "greets with pleasure the determined action of the automobile workers of General Motors in staging a nation-wide strike for recognition of the United Auto Workers Union." It pledged support and urged a "sweeping victory," but put forward the declaration that economic action must be backed by political action.

"Having defeated the company unions in industry we must defeat the company unions in politics, the Republican and Democratic parties," the resolution said. This resolution also "publicly regretted" that certain craft unions, "a small percentage of this present auto organizational drive, have through their officers, taken a public position of hostility . . . made statements widely interpreted as a definite break in the solidarity of organised labor against the greatest open shop employers of America."

The WPA resolution endorsed the program of the Workers Alliance of America, called on all Labor Party groups to support the Alliance fight for a full WPA program, and ordered that copies of the resolution be sent to President Roosevelt and to Congress.

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 13. — Ward organization of the Illinois and Cook County Labor Party will be built in the Seventh Congressional District as a result of the meeting held at the Signalmen's Union headquarters Sunday, where the membership expressed their readiness to take this next step.

Thomas Dixon, of the Machinists Union, was chairman of the meeting, and Jacob Nagell, of the Railway Signalmen, secretary. Thirty-five of the delegates present represented 14 local unions, of which three were lodges of the Railway Brotherhood, and 11 A. F. of L. affiliates. Several fraternal societies had delegates present.

A call has been issued to labor unions and labor party clubs for the Cook County Convention, to be held at Musicians Union Hall, 175 W. Washington St. on Sunday, Jan. 31.

"Relations of close cooperation have been established with the Farmer-Labor Parties of Wisconsin and Minnesota, from which will develop a strong Mid-Western Labor Party, looking toward a national labor party convention in the future," stated the call issued by Dave McVey chairman of the Cook County party.

Frey Sabotage Scored By Farmer-Laborites

Hennepin County Convention Condemns A.F.L. Reactionary Leader for Role in Auto Strikes—CIO Campaign to Organize Unorganized Is Endorsed

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 13.—The increasingly militant and progressive character of the Farmer-Labor Party is apparent in the resolutions passed at the Hennepin County convention which closed on Sunday.

Unanimously carried was a resolution demanding continued cooperation with all progressive groups in the building of a national Farmer-Labor party.

Of great significance were three resolutions presented by the labor group and passed by the convention. One endorsed the CIO drive to organize the auto industry and instructed the Farmer-Labor Congressmen to aid the campaign in every way.

A second condemned the "sabotaging role" of John P. Frey, president of the Metal Trades Department of the A. F. of L. in the auto situation. A third protested withdrawal of the charter from the Petroleum Workers Union and demanded reinstatement of the union as well as George Lund, its organizer.

The report on labor legislation by A. H. Urtubees, president of the Minneapolis Central Labor Union, sharply criticized the State Unemployment Insurance Bill enacted by the former legislature, and recommended removal of the clause which penalize strikers and subsidizes scabs in strike situations.

John Bosch, national Farm Holiday Association president, reported for the Farm Legislation committee. The convention endorsed the state and national farm program including demands for cost-of-production-plus for farm products, crop insurance, elimination of the speculative marketing system, extension of Federal credit to farmers, reduction of taxes on owner-separated farms.

The convention approved the Youth Committee report given by Lillian Schwartz of the Farmer-Labor Juniors, calling for passage of the Benson-Amlie (American Youth) Act, extension of the National Youth Administration, and continuation of the C.C.C. under the Department of the Interior and removed from army control.

A total of 188 delegates, 106 from trade unions, unemployed organizations and fraternal groups, and the rest from Farmer-Labor ward clubs, attended the convention.

Fraternal Orders Widen Base For Aid in Steel Campaign

(Daily Worker Pittsburgh Bureau)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 13.—Progress in gaining the support of the organizations of foreign-born workers for the steel drive was reported here at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Fraternal Orders Committee.

Reporting on the work done by the committee since its conference in Pittsburgh on October 25, Chairman B. K. Gebert declared that many new groups have announced their cooperation with the Fraternal Orders Committee.

Among these are the Czechoslovak Society of America, the Hungarian Verhovay Aid Society and the Russian Brotherhood of the United States.

A number of groups have been responsible for large-scale recruiting into the steel union. The Croation Fraternal Union was singled out for commendation as a result of its recruiting of 1,000 workers into the union in the Pittsburgh area.

Local conferences to enlist lodges and fraternal organizations have been held in Ambridge and Farrel. Conferences are also being planned in Buffalo, Philadelphia, Detroit and in Cleveland.

Plans for future work include a letter to all national fraternal organizations requesting the President to communicate with all affiliated lodges urging the fullest cooperation with the S.W.O.C. in their community.

On Jan. 31 the committee will sponsor a meeting on the South Side of Pittsburgh in the Lithuanian Hall.

Washington Post Signs With Newspaper Guild

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (FP).—After negotiations of over two months, Eugene Meyer, publisher of the Washington Post, posted an agreement with the American Newspaper Guild on the bulletin board and handed a signed copy of the agreement to the local chapter.

The agreement provides recognition of the Guild, minimum rates of pay starting at $25 a week and running to $40 a week for men with three years experience, a 40-hour week, and other features.

The new wage scale provides pay increases for 36 persons. The agreement runs for a year.

WPA Projects in Texas Close; 600 Families Are Hit

LAREDO, Tex., Jan. 13. — Two WPA projects, which supported more than 600 families, have been closed down, and there are no indications of re-opening them, despite promises made by officials.

The WPA Sewing Project originally employed 219 women, was whittled down gradually to 150 and a few days ago was completely liquidated.

Four hundred men were left without jobs when the WPA project at Fort McIntosh was closed up. On this project common labor was paid 25 cents an hour and semi-skilled labor 40 cents. Skilled workers in most instances were put in these classifications.

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Baby Born in Snow

Ten Burned Out in North Wilds

NAKINA, Ont., Jan. 13 (UP).—A family of ten, including a mother still weak from childbirth in sub-zero weather, and her four-day-old baby, huddled together on the shore of lonely Dog Lake today, awaiting the airplane which will transport them to the Red Cross hospital here.

Their only protection from the severe cold of northern Ontario was a loose shelter of spruce boughs fashioned by Frank Gagnier six days ago when fire drove the family from the log cabin which had been the Gagnier home. The cabin and its contents were destroyed.

Two days later Mrs. Gagnier's ninth child, a girl, was born, with only the husband and an elder daughter to minister to the mother and child.

With rags torn from their own clothing and that of the other children, the parents fashioned swaddlying clothes for the baby.

The family's plight was discovered by Pilot Roy S. John of the Nipigon Airways when he flew over Dog Lake yesterday.

Pilot Ray Spooner flew to the lake with clothing, food and first-aid equipment. He reported the baby was "apparently doing well." Mrs. Gagnier, he said, was weak but otherwise in good condition.

Two older girls, however, had frozen feet, the pilot reported, and the entire family was feeling the effects of hunger, having subsisted since the fire on two small rabbits trapped by Gagnier.

It was believed several trips would be necessary to bring the family by airplane to the hospital here.

Pope Able to Leave Bed for Wheel Chair

VATICAN CITY, Jan. 13 (UP).—Pope Pius was so improved today that he was permitted to leave his bed for the first time since his grave illness started 40 days ago.

The Pontiff was able to sit on a special wheel chair throne.

Eight Workers Killed

LAS VEGAS, Nev., Jan. 13 (UP).—Eight men were reported killed near here today when a Union Pacific passenger train struck a workman's hand car.

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Senate Probe of G. M. and duPont Tieup Demanded by Lewis

Fight to Finish Pledged by Union

Labor Board Not Asked for Elections in Plants Because Corporation Would Get Injunction—'Strike Is Election With Boots On"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (FP).—Launching an additional offensive, John L. Lewis, chairman of the Committee for Industrial Organization, announced here that a Senatorial investigation of the financial structure of the General Motors Corporation will be sought immediately. Lewis made this statement following a day-long conference with Homer Martin, president of the United Automobile Workers; John Brophy, director of the C.I.O., and other members of the C.I.O. staff. He also announced that Governor Murphy of Michigan had informed him, through representatives, that the forces of the state would not be used against the strikers.

Lewis charged that Sheriff Wills of Flint, Mich., responsible for the shooting of eight persons near strikebound plants was a former thug employed by copper companies in the upper peninsula of Michigan and that he is "a killer," having slain several persons previously.

Details of the attack at Flint, provoked, Lewis said, by the sudden closing of gates to the plants through which sit-down strikers were being brought food, will be brought to the attention of the LaFollette committee already investigating anti-labor activities of the General Motors Corporation.

DUPONT CONTROL?

A resolution providing for a Senatorial probe of the General Motors financial structure will be introduced imediately, Lewis said. Some of the matters investigated include the question of control over General Motors policy.

Lewis charged that General Motors policy is controlled by the duPonts who in turn are linked with foreign interests. "We propose to find out how much of the policy of the General Motors plants is dictated by foreign stockholders and whether financiers in Europe and the duPonts will dictate conditions under which American citizens work," Lewis said.

He declared that twelve executives of the General Motors Corporation receive in excess of $3,000,000 a year in salaries, bonuses and commissions. That amount, he said, is equal to that paid in a year to 3,000 workers who screw 8,000,0000,000 nuts on 8,000,000,000 bolts.

"ELECTION WITH BOOTS ON"

Lewis made it clear that the Senatorial investigation to be asked is separate from the inquiry being conducted by the LaFollette committee. To the LaFollette committee will be referred the private arsenal of General Motors, its hiring of dtective agencies for labor espionage, its formation of vigilante committees, its purchases of teor gas and mutions, and details of the stockholding by Judge Black and other Michigan judges in General Motors.

Asked why the United Auto Workers did not ask the National Labor Relations Board for an election in the plant, Lewis replied that the General Motors Corp. would immediately get an injunction against the board. He took to task Walter Lippman, Dorothy Thompson, Frank Kent, "and others" for criticising the workers for not going to the N.L.R.B. He pointed out that thrice previously the corporation had enjoined the board in the courts. "A strike is an election with boots on," Brophy added.

"We are entirely satisfied with the progress of the strike," Lewis said. "It is most effective and is expanding progressively. It will continue to expand and will be fought to a finish on the question of collective bargaining and recognition of the union by the General Motors."

Asked what effect the order of the metal trades department of the American Federation of Labor to its men in the auto industry to go back to work was having, Lewis turned to Martin and asked, "Did that man go back to work?" He said he noticed no appreciable difference in the production statistics of the company since the metal trades department order.

ASKS PROBE

JOHN L. LEWIS

SECURITY BILL SURE TO PASS IN ASSEMBLY

Republicans Killed It Last Year—Minimum Wage Law Sought

ALBANY, Jan. 13.—The Social Security for State and Federal cooperation passed the Senate unanimously today. It was not debated. Republicans joined with Democrats in approving the measure.

Last year the measure was killed by the Republicans in the Assembly, after having passed the Senate. Only the old-age assistance feature became law.

Today seven other phases of social security were passed. These include aid to widows, children, the blind and the crippled.

The measure is certain to pass the Assembly. A Republican caucus vote against the measure will almost certainly result in a bolt on the part of the two Assemblymen from Suffolk County who owe allegiance to former Republican state boss W. Kingsland Macy.

Democratic minority leader Irwin Steingut said today he would seek immediate passage of a bill providing minimum wages for women in industry.

Steingut said the measure was changed substantially from the minimum wage act that was declared unconstitutional by the U. S. Supreme Court, but followed Governor Lehman's recommendations.

"The proposed bill has been examined by an independent commission of experts composed of legislators, labor leaders, industrialists and law school professors, who have co-operated in its formulation," he added. "They agree unanimously that the constitutionality of this new law will be sustained.

I feel certain that this new measure corrects the alleged defects in the previous law in that it fixes and limits the standard for the minimum wages upon the basis of 'a wage fairly and reasonably commensurate with the value of the services or class of services rendered.'"

CALL PARLEY ON NEGRO IN SHIP STRIKE

Curran to Speak Tonight at Harlem Meeting for Seamen

(Daily Worker Harlem Bureau)

Preparations for a Harlem conference on the Negro in the Maritime Strike under the combined auspices of the Harlem Citizens' Committee to Aid the Striking Seamen and Greater New York Federation of the National Negro Congress got under way yesterday.

The conference, which will involve outstanding trade union and civic leaders, is planned for Feb. 5 and 6 in the Harlem Y. M. C. A. Plans were outlined for the conference Tuesday evening at a joint meeting of the two groups in the home of James H. Baker, Jr., 35 W. 110th St., chairman of the Federation.

A mass meeting in support of the striking seamen will be held tonight at St. James Presbyterian Church, 141st St. and Edgecombe Ave., at which Joe Curran, strike leader; the Rev. William Lloyd Imes, pastor of the church, and others will speak. It is sponsored by the Citizen's Committee.

Attending the conference at Baker's residence Tuesday evening were: Thyra Edwards, head of the Women's Section of the Congress; Henry Lee Moon, New York Newspaper Guild; James W. Ford, Negro Communist leader; Lillian Gaskins, Local 22, International Ladies' Germent Workers' Union; B. F. McLaurin, Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters; Esmay Cox, American Federation of Government Employes; Louis Burnham, Youth Section of the Congress; Lodie Biggs, secretary of the Citizens' Committee, and others.

A schedule of four sessions are planned for the two-day conference, one Feb. 5 and three Feb. 6. Among the discussion topics are: Background and present status of the Seamen's Strike; the Stake of the Negro in the Maritime Strike; Community participation in Labor Problems; while the final session is to be devoted to drafting resolutions and a program of action based on the findings of the conference.

Invited as speakers are: Henry K. Craft, secretary of the Harlem Y. M. C. A.; Lester Granger, National Urban League; James W. Ford, and both Negro and white leaders of the striking seamen.

D. C. POLICE THREATEN TO USE TEAR GAS

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started their protest activities several days ago.

On learning of the repeated threat of the Capitol police, the Joint Marine Strike Council in New York, headed by Joseph Curran, sent President Roosevelt the following telegram:

"We learn that the District of Columbia police department has announced that it has tear gas and other armaments to 'prevent disorders.' We vigorously protest the implications of the police statement and the possible consequence. Our delegations, orderly American citizens, are coming to the Capitol to lay legitimate grievances before their representatives. We ask that you instruct Capitol police that they carry no tear gas or arms. We await your immediate reply."

The council received word that the strikers in Baltimore concluded an agreement with the Union Sulphur Line, operating eight East and West coast vessels.

Terms of the agreement heralded the tenor of future settlements with other shipping lines, strike leaders declared. The agreement granted union hiring halls, cash for overtime, wages equal to current West Coast scales and other improved working conditions.

Seamen here hailed the action of the union crew of the S. S. Liberty Glow of the American Foreign Line, who sailed from this port yesterday solidly refusing to accept the Copeland "fink" books. The crew of the S. S. Ancon, another union supplied crew, also refused to accept the "fink" book last Tuesday.

"Only finks themselves will accept the Copeland 'fink' book," members of both crews notified J. B. Weaver, director of the maritime bureau of the government.

Joseph Curran, seamen's leader, who returned here yesterday after appearing before the Senate Committe in the Capitol protesting the reactionary legislation, which seamen charge is a blacklist weapon against them, said that Senator Royal S. Copelant, after hearing the protest, intimated that he was "impressed" by the strikers opposition.

He was reported to have agreed to lay the protests and proposals of the seamen for amendments to the Copeland Bill before the Senate Committee soon.

A mass meeting, open to the public, will be held by New York strikers Saturday evening, to greet the incoming Boston delegation, at the Stuyvesant High School.

Billion WPA Fund to Be Asked By Progressives in Congress

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—A minimum relief deficiency appropriations of $1,000,000,000, the closest legislative approach to the Workers Alliance figure of $1,250,000,000 and a WPA wage increase of 20 per cent will be sought by the progressive bloc in Congress which favors continuation and expansion of WPA.

This became known today as Congressional blocs lined up for the coming relief fight when the House and Senate Appropriations Committees concluded their secret hearings. WPA Administrator Harry L. Hopkins appeared before the House Committee today to explain President Roosevelt's request for $790,000,000.

Although Hopkins' testimony remained a secret, Chairman Buchanan of the committee explained that only $655,000,00 is intended for WPA, $80,000,000 for Resettlement Administration, $20,000,000 for Treasury Department relief projects, and $35,000,000 to various other governmental agencies.

Representative Gerald Bolleau, Wisconsin Progressive, described the president's proposal as insufficient and said that the liberal bloc would seek to increase work relief wages by 20 per cent. This is one of the demands put forth by the Workers Alliance of America.

PNEUMONIA TOLL LAID TO CUT IN FUNDS

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adequate supply for the Winter's penumonia cases would be on hand.

$7.50 FOR INJECTION

The rich can still get the pneumonia serum—from private companies who charge $7.50 for an ampule—that's one injection. Doctors say that $100 worth of the serum is needed for three or four days' treatment of pneumonia victims. That's at private company prices.

The shortage of nurses and the high cost of oxygen are the next two auxiliary tragedies in the terrible flu epidemic now raging in the city.

FEW HAVE HOSPITAL CARE

"It is just such a time as this, when care is withheld from the sick because of a shortage of nurses and doctors, that must make the public realize the necessity for subsidized professionals," a doctor told me today. "It stands to reason that the greatest number of cases are not even being treated. In Harlem and the lower East Side, where the epidemic is the thickest, hundreds of people are getting the 'flu every day and not being taken care of."

At least 85 per cent of this year's pneumonia victims ni New York City do not have the benefit of hospitalization. But even those in the wards of such large institutions as Bellevue are not receiving adequate treatment. Oxygen, one of the most necessary materials for the treatment of pneumonia, is so expensive that not all the patients are being given it. Not that there is a shortage of oxygen, but it is still being manufactured as a profit making product instead of a life-saving material for millions of pneumonia victims.

34 PNEUMONIA TYPES

The present epidemic has already swept large centers in Europe and is now sweeping toward the West. It is the most dreadful epidemic since 1918 when tens of thousands of people died off like flies.

Even if there were an adequate supply of serum, this would not be the complete answer to the challenge of Pneumonia. Not enough research has been financed to provide serum for all kinds of pneumonia. There are 34 types of pneumonia. For many of them no effective serum has been developed. The question is not one of insoluable mystery. It is one of inadequate research and upaid scientists.

ASKS HITLER SEND 80,000 MORE TO SPAIN

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of Gibraltar, upon which the Bramhill slowed down and radioed for assistance.

The British cruiser Sussex came to the Bramhill's aid and asked the trawlers to "push off." which they did.

The captain of the Sussex examined the Bramhill's papers and found them in order.

The British Government has made no protest so far.

Fascist Cruisers Driven Away from Valencia

VALENCIA, Spain, Jan. 13.—Fascist cruisers which bombarded the port here yesterday were driven off within ten minutes by fire of coast batteries and bombs from Government planes, it was announced today.

It is thought that at least one bomb landed directly on the deck of a Fascist cruiser.

Eight civilians were killed by the bombardment.

1,000 TO LEAVE FOR WPA MARCH TO CAPITAL

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P. M. n the main hall of Irving Plaza, Irving Place and 15th St. Special busses will take the delegates from the meeting hall to the railway station.

At the Irving Plaza meeting, a badge will be given every registered delegate. Without this badge, no one will be permitted to take part in the delegation's activities in Washington, every delegate must register and must be present at tonight's meeting.

TO MAKE UP TIME LOST

Word was received from the Washington headquarters of the Workers Alliance, which has organized the demonstration, that WPA workers who go as delegates will be able to make up time lost. The New York Alliance notified all locals to this effect.

New York's contingent will be divided into committees which will call on every Congressman from New York in Washington. Telegrams have already been sent making appointments with the members of the House and Senate.

ASK PROTESTS

It was reported to the Alliance here that the Capitol police are planning to cut down the delegations to small committees and limit the number of those who can call on their Congressmen. Protests have been made to the police by some Congressmen, demanding that as many of their constituents who so desire be permitted to visit them. The Alliance urged that telegrams be sent to all Congressmen and Senators asking them to take the same stand.

A steady stream of registrations poured into the Workers Alliance headquarters, 101 W. 28th St., yesterday and more are expected today. Registration of New York delegates will close at noon. Among delegations already registered are the following:

DELEGATES REGISTERED

Workers Alliance Needle Trades Local, 70 delegates; Lower Manhattan Local, 25 delegates; Sea Beach Local, 25; Thirteenth St. and Russian Joint Local, 40; Lower Harlem Local 38, 50; Lower East Side Federation for Relief and Unemployment Insurance, representing 60 organizations, 5 delegates; Furriers Joint Council, 30; Painters' District Council No. 9, 10.

Other trade unions which registered without indicating the number of delegates included Painters Local 848, Metal Workers 416, Bakers 87, Cafeteria Workers 302 and 325; Bakers 509; Carpenters 2090; Utility Workers 752; Journeymen Tailors, Department Store Employes, Bookkeepers, Stenographers and Accountants Union, Custom Tailors, Pharmacists, Furniture Workers and Butchers Unions.

A number of fraternal organizations are also signed up.

The arrangements committee last night sent out a final plea for funds before leaving for Washington. Several thousands of dollars in debts remain to be paid. Every tag day box and stamp book must be turned in today at 101 W. 28th St. All marshals who had boxes at Saturday's parade have been asked to turn them in there today. The committee further asked that contributions voted by organizations be forwarded at once.

Goering to Confer With Mussolini

ROME, Jan. 13 (UP).—General Hermann Goering, Commander of the German Air Force, and his wife arrived from Berlin at 10:40 P.M. and were greeted by Premier Benito Mussolini, Foreign Minister Galeazzo Ciano and Fascist leaders.

Diplomats said Italy's reply to the recent British note regarding Spanish intervention would be held up until Mussolini and Goering have discussed the subject.

SCORES SHAM OF BRITAIN'S 'NEUTRALITY'

'We Started All of This,' Says Former M.P. From Scotland

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auspices of the League for Industrial Democracy.

Back from a two-week trip to Catalonia, she spoke of the gallant fight of the Spanish people with fervor. She smiled as she related the story of plucky Spaniards fighting "joyously" against fascism.

RIDICULES TROTSKY

When a reporter asked her comment of Leon Trotsky's counter-revolutionary statement tha the Soviet Union was sabotaging the Spanish workers' fight, she replied with a single wor: "Nonsense."

"The Russian masses are deeply concerned about Spain." In answer to a query on "Russian intervention," she laughed and answered, "I didn't see any Russians."

The former Parliament member, who was the youngest person ever to be elevted to the House of Commons, spoke enthusiastically about the "Left United Front" in England which includes the Communist Party, the Independent Labor Party, and the Socialist League. She said a number of meeting for "left unity in Great Britain" were planned.

BRITISH POPULAR FRONT

"There's no doubt that the British Popular Front must come," she said.

"The Spaniards teach you courage," she added with a laugh when someone pointed out the small numerical strength of the English group.

"The spirit of the men is marvelous. There's not a scrap of defeatist feeling. If the Spanish people were given a dog's chance by other nations, the situation would be solved. They would win by sheer enthusiasm and sheer force of numbers."

"If spirit counts, the loyalists will win. The Spaniard is not afraid to die. He'll even fight without arms. At Molin D'Aragon, I saw them stand under terrific artillery fire, fearless, young men of 20 defending the liberty of the world."

HIT "NON-INTERVENTION"

"On the Huesca front, officers have a hard time holding back the masses of youngsters who want to attack the fascists despite the fact there are more men than arms. I remember one young fellow who carried his rifle with a thin string. When I gave him my belt to hold his rifle, he thanked me joyfully."

"That's what non - intervention means," she continued.

"Public opinion in the world would not stand for what's happening in Spain if they really knew the true story."

The daughter of mine union organizer in Scotland told of the energetic campaign in England to enlist aid for the heroic battle of the Spanish people. At a recent Spanish aid meeting in Albert Hall, largest auditorium in London, more than $10,000 was raised.

Several food ships have been sent to Spain from England, Miss Lee said, "the Communist Party of Great Britain played a big part in sending them."

Flu Cases Triple Over Nation

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The flu epidemic sweeping the nation more than tripled in the week ended Jan. 9, the greatest increase for any week so far this winter, the U. S. Public Health Service disclosed, today.

Reports of new influenza cases placed the total for the week at 12,145 as compared to 3,993 in the previous week.

The figures only represent a fraction of the total of illness throughout the country, Public Health officials admitted because many states do not have laws obliging physicians to report flu cases.

Governor Calls Auto Strike Conference

3,500 Tie Up St. Louis Plants—Lewis to Join in Parleys—3,000 Militiamen Now in Flint—Goodyear Rubber Local Sends $6,000

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shop steward button right now," he said.

Anther guardsman came to union headquarters to get union buttons for the boys.

GREET SOLIDARITY

Report of this solidarity met with thunderous cheers at a meeting of Cadillac and Fleetwood strikers today. The meeting also adopted a resolution sent to Gov. Murphy demanding withdrawal of troops from the strike area and that the Flint city authorities be held responsible for the attack upon strikers Monday.

Flint authorities have made no new attempt yet to storm the occupied Fisher Body plants but swore out 1,200 John Doe warrants for strikers. This morning it was learned that the first warrants will be served upon Robert Travis, Roy and Victor Reuther and other auto union orgainzers i nleadership in Flint.

HOLD UP WARRANTS

The warrants, charging kidnaping, criminal syndicalism, felonious assault, and destruction of property, are one of the most dangerous weapons yet tried. They can be served upon anyone who is active int he strike and be a means of imposing excessive bail or holding individuals for a long time. Held already are seven wounded strikers who were arrested as they were released from the hospital. Tehy are held incommunicado because Sheriff Wolcott said they are dangerous men.

The serving of the warrants was ordered held in abeyance by Gov. Murphy today. He denounced the warrants as a very dangerous means.

Meanwhile the strikes in General Motors spread to another sector when 4,000 workers of the Chevrolet and Fisher body plant of St. Louis walked out today. The workers were called out by the United Auto Workers Union.

UNIONS SEND AID

Locals of the auto union and friendly C.I.O. unions are coming to the aid of the strikerst with thousands of dollars. Latest donations include $3,000 from the Goodyear local of the United Rubber Workers and $6,000 from the Studebaker Local of the Auto Union. Truckloads of food were reported on the way to Flint from Akron.

Prominent liberals and civic leaders from all parts of the country and Michigan have raised their voice against the outrageous attack by Flint police upon strikers at Fisher No. 2 plant.

A taatewide conference called by the Conference for Protection of Civil Rights was called in Flint National Guard armory for Sunday at 11 a. m. Unions, farm, fraternal and civic organizations were invited to send delegates.

That conference will be an expression of th ebulk of trade union and liberal opinion in the State.

MASS MEETING SUNDAY

Following the conference there will be a mass meeting at the armory in teh evening where among the scheduled speakers is Brigadier General Smedley Butler. Homer Martin, John Reid, secretary of the Michigan Federation of Labor, Frank X. Martel, president of the Detroit Federation of Labor, Professor Robert Morse Lovett and others will speak.

The auto union called a large rally for Sunday at 2 p. m. at Cass Technical High School to protest the attack upon the Flint strikers. A prominent representative of the C.I.O. is scheduled to speak. Robert Travis, militant leader of the Flint strikers will also address the meeting.

Governor Murphy intimated that should Thursday's action fail he will take very drastic action. Protests against police brutality in Flint were pouring in from all directions to Gov. Murphy. The employes' representative council of the Chrysler Karchival plant today sent a vigorous protest.

William Weinstone, Michigan secretary of the Communist Party, today wired a vigorous protest to Gov. Murphy for resorting to National Guardsmen. His wire followed:

"The issuance of 1,200 John Doe warrants by the local authorities is obviously intended to break the strike especially by seizing the leaders and thus depriving the union men of leadership.

"The charges have apparently been farmed with the purpose of imposing excessively high bail and keeping the leaders and more active union men behind the bars.

"It is clear that General Motors is stopping short of nothing to crush the strike and the union in order to prevent genuine collective bargaining.

"Your statements gave some hope that the local authorities would be held in check, but, on the contrary, they were encouraged by the presence of the militia and state police to take even more desperate measures against the striking workers.

"It seems to us that not the calling out of the militia and state police is necessary, but action on your part to guarantee full civil rights by holding the chief of police, the sheriff and the head of the Flint Alliance responsible for the events of Monday night, which they provoked in the very endeavor to crush the strike by police and judicial action.

"We protest the statements of Sheriff Wolcott that he is holding the men wounded on Monday night virtually incommunicado."

3,500 Strike In St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 13 (UP).—A strike called by the United Automobile Workers' Union went into effect here today at the Chevrolet and Fisher Body plants of General Motors.

Delmond Garst, secretary of Local 25, estimated that approximately 3,500 of the 4,000 workers joined the movement. The strikers gathered outside the plants after abandoning plans for a "stay-in" demonstration.

Long lines of pickets formed at the gates.

Women were noticeably active on the picket line. Singing songs they marched up and down before the gates, holding banners which read: "We Want Job Security For Our Husbands."

McGrady Confers With Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13 (UP).—Edward F. McGrady presented a full report on the automobile and maritime labor crisis to President Roosevelt today and immediately arranged for another discussion of the General Motors situation with John L. Lewis.

"You never can tell what I am going to do," he said.

He said he had no immediate plan to go to Detroit and declined to discuss whether the question of presidential intervention in either the maritime or automobile situation was raised in his conference with Mr. Roosevelt.

It was indicated that McGrady was receiving full presidential support in his efforts to solve the troubled situations.

Coincident with McGrady's visit to the White House it was revealed that Lewis had determined to go to Detroit, possibly by the weekend, although his plans are still somewhat indefinite.

CRAFT LEADER ATTACKS STRIKE

(Daily Worker Ohio Bureau)

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 13.—James P. McSweeney, president of the Metal Trades Council, today lined up with the strikebreakng leadership of the A. F. of L. International in their deaperate attempt to avert the organizing of the unorganized and to discredit the C.I.O.

The Metal Trades Council protested today the endorsement of the Fisher Body strike made a week ago by the Cleveland Federation of Labor.

They also endorsed the scandalous letter sent out last week over the signatures of the four internationals.

In a union splitting statement supposed to criticize William Green but really to spew hatred at the C.I.O., James McSweeney said, "I know of only two mistakes William Green made in this situation and those were chartering the Rubber Workers and Auto Workers Unions."

"Either the A. F. of L. is going to operate as a dual union or it will declare the C.I.O. an outlaw group," he added.

A Correction

A line was dropped out of the closing paragraph of a page 1 story from Detroit yesterday, quoting a statement by William Weinstone, Michigan secretary of the Communist Party, on the sending of State Militia to Flint. The omission seriously altered the sense of the paragraph. The correct sentence reads as follows:

"The strikers have been peaceful and orderly. If Gov. Murphy pursues a line of policy which drives the workers back into bondage to General Motors he will not escape the shame which attaches to it."

Aldermen Make Football Of Housing, Mayor Charges

Stung by remarks made Tuesday in the Board of Aldermen, Mayor LaGuardia yesterday charged that the aldermen were playing politics with the housing issue.

He had direct reference to a statement by Alderman Edward J. Sullivan, Greenwich Village Democrat, that he, the Mayor, was seeking to take credit for housing legislation adopted in Albany.

The aldermen could contribute something to clearing up the housing situation by taking action on the pending Building Code, the Mayor said. Many builders are awaiting passage of the code, he added. Sullivan is sponsor of the code.

"It would be far better if some constructive suggestions were made instead of the futile attempts to create an issue," he said. "Perhaps some individuals are seeking to play politics but the facts speak for themselves."

Recounting the various steps taken by city and state bodies in the housing shortage caused by wholesale eviction orders by owners of old-law tenements, the Mayor pointed out that action was begun by the aldermen on January, nearly a month after he had called a conference on the situation.

"The first peep from the Board of Aldermen was on Jan. 4 after the Municipal Housing Authority made its recommendations and after the Mayor had forwarded the recommendations to the Mayor," he commented tartly.

Sullivan, replying to the Mayor's statement, retorted that "the Mayor is just as wrong in this as he has been in nearly everything he's done since he's taken office."

Sullivan is quoting as saying that James J. Dooling, leader of Tammany Hall, is responsible for blocking passage of the code.

Mary K. Simkhovitch, president of the National Public Housing Conference, yesterday announced the fourth Washington conference of her organization for Jan. 22-24. The conference, which will discuss slum clearance and re-housing, will hold sessions each day. Included on the speakers list are Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Senator Robert F. Wagner, William Green, Dr. Harry Laidler, Capt. Richard L. Reiss of the London County Council Housing Committee, Major George L. Berry and Langdon W. Post.

The Daily Worker Presents . . .

The Daily Worker will publish two articles, "In the Trenches Before Madrid," tomorrow and Saturday.

They are written by Michael Koltsov, especially for the Daily Worker.

Koltsov, ace journalist of the Soviet press, is the most famous of all European reporters. He is the man who has made reporting in Europe one of the fine arts.

We bring you two articles from the trenches of Madrid by Michael Koltsov. You can't afford to miss them.

Harlem Pharmacists Accuse Shop Owners

(Daily Worker Harlem Bureau)

Intimidation and shadowing of union members was charged yesterday against the Harlem Pharmacists Association, a group of 120 drug store owners, which is attempting to smash the community-wide struggle of the Pharmacists Union of Greater New York. The union is affiliated with Local 906, Retail Clerks International Protective Association, American Federation of Labor.

The charges were made by the Harlem office of the union at 312 W. 125th St., headed by Eulalie Mannix, Negro woman pharmacist. They were supported by Hammie Snipes, militant Negro worker, who said yesterday that he was constantly being trailed by a car filled with members of the owners' Association.

Since Saturday Snipes has been active speaking in behalf of the union in open air meetings. He identified in the car Ben Fleishman, owner of the Lincoln Drug Store, 140th St. and Lenox Ave., and Harry Finerman, owner of Finerman's pharmacy, 135th St. and Lenox Ave. The two owners are considered the leaders of the anti-Negro, anti-union employers' Association.

"These men followed our car, which was equipped with a loud speaker, several hours Saturday night," Snipes stated. "We're sure it was Fleishman's car because we checked on the number."

It was learned simultaneously that Fleishman and Finerman were threatening drug store owners in Harlem who refused to "swear out warrants" against union members and sympathizers.

"They are also putting pressure on the police department to ban the union from securing loudspeaker permits," Miss Mannix added.

The Pharmacists Union is demanding: union recognition, increased wages, shorter hours and no discrimination against Negro pharmacists, of whom there are some 50 unemployed in Harlem. Picket lines are being maintained in front of seven Harlem pharmacies.

Snipes was attacked by unknown assailants New Year's Eve, shortly after he became active with the Union. He was painfully beaten with brass-knuckles about the head and face.

MEMORIAL FOR TWO WHO DIED IN THE CHAIR

Meeting Tomorrow Will Plan Ways of Aiding Youth of Slums

Crime prevention, slum clearance, building of recreation centers, and need of jobs for young people, will be discussed at 8 p.m. Friday in Carpenter Hall, 217 Court St., Brooklyn, in a memorial meeting for Theodore DiDonne, 31, and Joseph Bolognia, 23, who were executed last Thursday in Sing Sing.

The meeting is being held under auspices of the Citywide Defense Committee which conducted a two-months' campaign that led to commutation of sentence of four of the original six Brooklyn boys sentenced to death for the holdup slaying of Edwin Esposito in 1935.

Joe Zagarella, chairman of the Committee, said yesterday that prominent speakers will be invited to address the gathering, which is expected to become the nucleus of a campaign for slum clearance, building recreation enters, and passage of the American Youth Act.

A permanent organization will be formed, Zagarella said, whose program is to center around elimination of those conditions which lead to juvenile delinquency.

2 Die in Navy Yard

KEY WEST, Fla., Jan. 13. (UP). —When a water tank on which they were working collapsed at the naval reservation here, Josh Smith, a civilian machinist employed by the Navy, and Leonard Russell, WPA laborer, were killed.

U. S. System of Child Labor Makes Army of Illiterates

Greatest Child Labor Goes with Highest Illiteracy

By Harry Raymond
ARTICLE V

America's system of child labor today is developing a tremendous army of illiterate persons. Latest government statistics show that 4,300,000 citizens over the age of nine —4.3 per cent of the population— can neither read nor write.

More than one million boys and girls, between seven and fifteen years of age, are listed by the United States Government as not attending school. These children, most of whom were forced by poverty into industry, are handicapped by a vicious social system at the very outset of their young lives.

How child labor accelerates the illiteracy rate is revealed by the Daily Worker and Sunday Worker nation-wide survey of children working in industry. The survey shows that the states having the highest illiteracy rates also have the largest number of juveniles working in factories, stores and fields.

WORST IN SOUTH

Child labor means non-attendance at school—and non-attendance at school means illiteracy.

South Carolina is listed by the United States Census Bureau as the state having the highest percentage of illiteracy among persons of ten years of age and over. South Carolina is listed second among the twelve states with the greatest percentage of population between ten and fifteen years of age employed. And South Carolina heads the list of states having the lowest percentage of children between seven and fifteen years of age attending school.

Louisiana, whose state legislature voted down the Child Labor Amendment last year because "children of ten are useful in the strawberry industry" stands seventh in the list of the states having the greatest number of children employed. It is second among states having the highest illiteracy per centage and ranks third for low school attendance.

Other states ranking first in illiteracy are:

Mississippi, Alabama, North Carolina, Georgia, Virginia, Tennessee, Florida and Texas.

These states are also among the twelve having the highest percentage of children in industry.

THE "PROBLEM CHILD" ARGUMENT

Tories of industry, who are lobbying in state capitols today against the Child Labor Amendment, put forward the argument that many children are problem children and "motor-minded" and do not fit into the "bookish atmosphere" of the class room. They should be trained alongside a factory machine, they say.

The country's leading educators, however, have knocked this theory into a cocked hat. They point to the experience of many states and cities and prove that problem children who go from the class room to industry to "solve their problems" immediately become greater problems. The question of the so-called motor-minded child will never be solved by making him do a man's work in a factory. Enlargement of vocational training, extension of the entire school system to meet the needs of the growing generation, and immediate outlawing of child labor by Federal legislation—that is the intelligent answer to the question.

Children who work after school hours present another problem to the educational system.

Small boys who get up at 3 o'clock in the morning to collect papers for early delivery often fall asleep in the class room and generally become seriously retarded in education.

Another phase of child labor which does not keep the child from school but makes his work in class more difficult is industrial home work.

The National Child Labor Committee investigators report a startling increase in industrial home work since the Supreme Court turned thumbs down on the NRA. The committee reports a typical case of a ten-year-old girl in New York City making lamp shades after school at home. During school days she worked after school hours to 10:30 every evening. She said she had been doing this work since she was seven years old. She received 80 cents a dozen for the finished shades.

Thousands of little children slave every afternoon and night after school hours at this type of work in the big manufacturing centers. The work takes them away from their school books. It denies them healthful recreation which is so necessary for the growing child. They toil late into the night making artifical flowers and feathers, finishing men's clothing, assembling imitation jewelry, stringing beads and tags, carding snaps and buttons and making lace. The work saps their energy and they find themselves dazed and confused when confronted by lessons in the classroom.

Child labor is the greatest menace to education in America today.

The concluding article of this series will appear in the next Sunday Worker.

One Answer to Child Labor

Photograph shows fathers, sitting down at the Fisher Body No. 2 plant in Flint, embracing their children through the factory windows. The men of the automobile industry are waging a courageous fight to secure the future of their children. One hundred per cent unionization of America's industries would go a long way in solving the problems of child labor, juvenile delinquency and illiteracy.

With the Unions

Trade Union Delegates to Meet Jan. 25 to Map Plans for Participation in 150th Anniversary of U. S. Constitution

Delegates from the trade unions of New York City will meet Monday evening, Jan. 25, to formulate plans for labor's participation in the 150th Anniversary of the United States Constitution, according to a call issued by a Provisional Labor Committee. Senator Robert F. Wagner has been invited to make the principal address on "The Constitution and Labor's Needs." Arthur Garfield Hays, lawyer for the American Civil Liberties Union, will also speak. Mark Starr, director of the Educational Department of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, will be chairman.

The conference, which will be held in the auditorium of the Garment Workers auditorium at 3 West 16th Street, has been called by the Educational Department of the I.L.G.W.U. and the educational departments of the union's Local 22, the Affiliated Schools for Workers, and the Pioneer Youth of America, Inc.

The date, Jan. 25, made famous in 1787 by Shays Rebellion which precipitated the calling of the Constitutional Convention of that year, will be commemorated at the conference by an original play given by the Pioneer Youth dramatic group.

The conference call points out that labor, with other organizations and institutions, has been urged by the Sesquicentennial Commission of Congress to appoint committees to plan appropriate celebrations, and this conference is the first step taken by organized labor in New York City. Three delegates have been invited from each union.

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DRESSMAKERS SEND G.M. STRIKERS SOLIDARITY PLEDGE

Greetings of solidarity and pledges of assistance were sent today to the strikers in the General Motors plants by Charles S. Zimmerman, head of Dressmakers Union Local 22; I.L.G.W.U., in the name of 30,000 members.

In a telegram to Homer Martin, president of the United Automobile Workers Union, Zimmerman referred to the strikers as the "advance guard of organized labor fighting for its rights" and promised them aid of every sort.

In the same message and in a telegram to John P. Frey, head of the metal trades department of the A. F. of L., Zimmerman sharply criticized the attitude of hostility taken by certain craft union leaders towards the automobile strike.

Similar action by other unions is being urged by Zimmerman, in support of the automobile strikers.

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CIGARMAKERS GAVE $1,500 TO SPAIN

Cigarmakers Local 144, of the A. F. of L., is picketing cigar shops located at 740 Seventh Ave. and 100 West 43rd Street.

Local 144 reports that it has contributed over $1,500 to the heroic anti-fascists and will continue the good work.

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FURRIER JOINT COUNCIL REPORTS ON WORK

Here is a report that should be of interest to all New York union furriers—a summary and account of the year's activities of the locals comprising the Furriers Joint Council:

Shop meetings held	8,297
Complaints attended	18,360
Number of complaints attended by business agents	10,545
Number of complaints attended by Organization Committee	7,715
Number of shops declared on strike	818
Discharged workers reinstated	785
Unemployed and old age workers placed on jobs	487
Agreements signed	491
Total money collected for securities	$23,092.50
Weekly increases obtained for workers	$47,928.43
TOTAL MONEY COLLECTED FOR 4,800 WORKERS	
Back pay to minimum scale	$56,065.57
Loss of time paid to workers for striking	20,783.37
Fines paid by manufacturers for violating agreement	$28,792.72
Wages collected for workers	5,091.67
Compensation for workers in liquidation of claim on job	2,609.96
TOTAL	$115,432.99
Out-of-town shops liquidated	19
Contractors liquidated	59
Shops stopped from overtime	1,018

TEACHERS UNION LEADER BARRED

The Board of Examiners of the Board of Education were called upon yesterday to afford a public hearing at which the denial of a license to teach English in high schools to Laura Liebman, president of Local 453 of the American Federation of Teachers, would be reviewed.

This request was made by Herman E. Cooper, attorney for the Teachers' Union, in a letter to the Board of Examiners, setting forth a number of commendations of Miss Liebman's capacity as a teacher made by Dr. William H. Dooley, principal of Textile High School; Dr. Max Horwitz, chairman of the English Department of Textile High School, and by Dr. John M. Laughran, principal of Samuel J. Tilden High School.

In addition to Local 453, the W. P.A. Teachers' Union, Local 5, of the American Federation of Teachers is participating in an effort to obtain a hearing for Miss Liebman, in accordance with the suggestion of Mr. Justice Shientag in the Epstein case.

Copies of the request for a hearing were also sent to members of the Board of Education.

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POCKETBOOK UNION DRIVES FOR BETTER CONDITIONS

From the office of the Pocketbook Workers Union it is reported that plans are being pushed to improve the conditions of the pocketbook workers of the city. Since the beginning of the new year, preparations in this direction have been made.

At all meetings of the Executive Board and union committees, discussions are held on how best to mobilize the thousands of workers in order to bring about improvements in the working conditions.

The Pocketbook Union intends that the year 1937 shall be a line of demarcation in the struggle to materially improve working conditions; to substantially increase wages for all workers, particularly in the cheap line; to establish a strict control of all contracting shops; to limit overtime work and permit it only in emergency cases in order to make room for the unemployed workers who must be placed on jobs, etc.

A broad educational program will also be conducted with special emphasis on interesting lectures on important timely topics, and a continuation of the sports facilities inaugurated during the last fall season on a larger scale.

From all indications, it is expected that the pocketbook industry will enjoy a very good season. Though it is only the beginning of January, many shops are already working; some are being enlarged to employ more workers and take care of increased business.

The first meeting at which all pocketbook workers will be mobilized in this fight for improved conditions will take place tonight, right after work, at Webster Hall, 119 E. 11th St. The membership of the union will discuss the plans which will be outlined to them by Harry Gevertzman, manager. No overtime work will be permitted today.

Work vs. School: The Record

12 states with highest percentage of illiteracy among persons 10 years of age and over	*12 states with greatest percentage of population 10-15 years, inclusive, employed*	*12 states with lowest percentage of children 7-15 years, inclusive, in school*
South Carolina	Mississippi	South Carolina
Louisiana	South Carolina	Georgia
New Mexico	Alabama	Louisiana
Mississippi	Georgia	Alabama
Alabama	Arkansas	Texas
Arizona	North Carolina	Virginia
North Carolina	Louisiana	Kentucky
Georgia	Tennessee	Arkansas
Virginia	Texas	New Mexico
Tennessee	Florida	Arizona
Florida	Kentucky	Mississippi
Texas	Virginia	North Carolina

2 Miners Trapped By a Cave-in at Remote Utah Mine

ELKO, Nev., Jan. 13 (UP).—Two miners have been trapped in the Delano mine, in an isolated section near the Utah state line, since yesterday, it was learned today.

The men were caught 300 feet below ground by a cave-in.

The men, Jess Baker and one Harris, have been directing rescue efforts.

Bill Hargrave, constable, and Maine W. Johnson, justice of the peace, were heading rescuers.

The miners were cut off from the main shaft by a slide of hundreds of tons of rock and dirt.

The mine is 35 miles north of Montello, Nev. There is no immediate communication line to the mine. Icy roads leading to the district were almost impassable.

Gas Fells 7

Seven persons were overcome by coal gas yesterday while at work in the five story loft building at 5 W. 30th St. Most seriously affected was Arthur Parkhurst, 35, of 39-50 65th St., Woodside, Queens.

Hearing on Transit Unification to Be Resumed on Jan. 21

Hearings on unification of the city's rapid transit lines will be resumed Thursday, Jan. 21, at 10:30 a. m., it was announced yesterday by the Transit Commission. The session will be held at the Commission's offices, 270 Madison Avenue.

The announcement was made after a conference yesterday between representatives of the city and the Commission. Testimony of proponents of the unification plan proposed by Samuel Seabury and A. A. Berle, city negotiators, will be heard.

Court Rules for L.I.R.R. In Hearing on Fare Case

(By United Press)

A contempt of court action against the Long Island Railroad was denied yesterday in Supreme Court by Justice Albert Conway.

The action was brought by the Transit Commission on the ground the Long Island charged ten cents for short hauls, contrary to an order signed by Supreme Court Justice George H. Furman directing the company to charge two cents per mile.

UNITED TICKET IS PROPOSED FOR LOCAL 22

Left Wing Group Asks Progressive Group to Confer on Elections

Unity of all progressive forces in Local 22 of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union has been projected in proposals from the Left Wing Group to the Progressive Group of the local.

In a letter from Hyman Migdol, organizer of the Left Wing Group, past united activities of the two groups are cited and the nomination of a united ticket in the coming local elections in March is suggested.

Such unity, it is pointed out, will help in unifying the ranks of the garment workers throughout the union as well as in the maintenance and improvement of working conditions.

The Progressive Group whose chief spokesman is Charles Zimmerman is now in control of the administration.

THE COMMUNICATION

Full text of the communication from the Left Wing group follows:

Brothers and Sisters:

It is now approximately a year that our local has been functioning in an atmosphere of united front efforts between the Left Wing Group and the Progressive Group. During this period we encountered difficulties and differences which we have tried to overcome and settle to the best interests of the dressmakers.

While many differences between our Group and yours remain unsolved, it is an undeniable fact thatmuch progress has been made through our joint efforts to unify the dressmakers' ranks, to justify our hopes for much greater progress in this direction in the future.

We can all be proud of the fact that, due to the cooperative efforts of both groups, the prestige of our local as a vital factor in the general labor movement has increased a hundred-fold. Let us point to the activities of our local in behalf of the Spanish people in their struggle against fascism as an outstanding example.

The inner life of our local has somewhat improved, which, without a doubt, influenced the working conditions in the shops. On this score a great deal is still left undone, especially pertaining to problems that the Dress Joint Board as a whole is involved.

The Executive Committee of our group, after careful consideration of the united front activities and the prospects for the future, feels that a united ticket in the coming elections is of fundamental importance in the dressmakers march towards unity and improved working standards.

We therefore invite your Group to select a committee to meet a similar committee of the Left Wing Group with the object of discussing and adopting an economic program on which the next administration of our local, consisting of the most able and loyal dressmakers, will be elected.

Hoping that this invitation will receive your immediate attention and that you will take favorable action.

We are fraternally yours,
Left Wing Group.
HYMAN MIGDOL, Organizer.

Shoe Workers Win Point Against Splitter

Mara Representatives to Appear at Injunction Hearing Monday

The Greater New York Joint Council of the Boot and Shoe Workers Union, representing 9,000 shoe workers, through its attorney, Harry Sacher yesterday was granted an order requiring reactionary union leaders who revoked the charter of the Council last Sept. 14 to show cause why an injunction should not be granted against their union-splitting actions.

President John J. Mara, international head of the union, noted for his ultra-conservative policies, consistently refused to give back the charter of the New York Joint Council despite repeated petitions, mass meetings and requests, it was learned.

After revoking the Council's charter last September, Mara sent two stooges to this city, Ben Berk and Rocco Franceschini, to unsurp the functions of the Council and to collect dues.

Attorney Sacher obtained an order from Supreme Court Judge James T. Hallinan, of Kings County, yesterday, requiring Mara's representatives to appear before the court on an injunction proceeding prohibiting Mara's splitting actions. The hearing will take place next Monday.

Oil Magnate Sends Food into Germany

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 13 (UP). —Eggs, bacon, potato meal and cheese crossed into Germany today as Dutch surplus products were turned, under the Deterding plan, to relieve the German food shortage.

Sir Henri Deterding, British oil millionaire, announced the purchase of 42,000 gross of eggs within the last few days. Nearly $30,000,000 already has been spent from the food fund he set up. In return, the fund will be given credits in Germany with which to buy surplus German products.

Steel Sit-Down Strike Wins 20% Wage Rise

Victory at Birmingham Plant of the American Casting Company Spurs C.I.O. Drive to Unionize 25,000 in the South

BIRMINGHAM, Jan. 13.—Birmingham's first "stay-in" strike won the first victory for the C.I.O.'s drive to organize Alabama's 25,000 steel workers.

An agreement reached with the officials of the American Casting Co., whose plant was completely tied up for three and a half weeks gave the 125 workers in the plant a 20 per cent increase in wages for common labor, "proportionate" increase for skilled workers and time and a half for overtime.

Striking on Dec. 23, for the reinstatement of the president of their local of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, who was fired for union activities, the men, Negroes and whites, 100 per cent organized, stuck it out in the plant for nine days and eight nights and then left the plant to picket outside when the company agreed to talk terms of settlement.

WAGES STILL LOW

Both the company and the strikers agreed to have the Labor Relations Board decide whether R. L. Henson, union president, should be reinstated.

Though the strikers demanded outright recognition of their union, they finally accepted an agreement by the company to meet with employe representatives for discussion of differences.

The 20 per cent increase in wages still, however, does not bring the wages of common laborers in the plant up to the general average for this steel area. Formerly getting 25 cents an hour, the men will now get 30 cents an hour whereas other plants in this region pay 35 to 37 cents an hour and the Pittsburgh area pays 45 to 75 cents an hour for the same work.

HAIL NEW TACTIC

"I guess we taught the men who aren't in the union yet a whole lot," declared one of the strikers as he stood outside of the plant the day the agreement was reached. "We learned a lot too. This sit-down strike business was great. We know a good thing when we see it."

Asked if the workers had taken an example from the French workers' famous sit-down strikes, he replied, "No, we didn't know anything about that. We just heard about the auto workers since we came out of the plant. We decided all on our own that we were really going to tie that mill up and to stay inside of the plant so that scabs couldn't get in was the best way. If we had stayed in longer instead of coming out when we did, we would have won more of our demands than we did."

WOMEN BEHIND STRIKE

"The women certainly were with us," declared another of the strikers. "One of the men decided he wanted to go home and get his Christmas dinner, so he slipped out at night. His wife asked him if the strike was over. Well, to make a long story short, he came back fast the next morning with a couple of black and blue marks to show how his wife felt about folks who don't stay in a strike to the finish. He never left us again. The women folks brought us food all the time."

The strike even gained another member for the Teamsters Union. When a non-union truck driver drove a truck up to the plant and attempted to load some pipe on it, the men explained what they were doing. He immediately left his truck where it was and went down to sign up with the union.

No pipe or any of the company's products were moved during the strike. It was a complete tieup.

Vigilante Rule Threatened in Reading Strike

'Citizens' Tell Mayor They Will Take Over Police Functions

READING, Pa., Jan. 13.—This city was faced with vigilante rule today, aimed at smashing the three and a half months old strike at the Berkshire Knitting Mills, when "citizens" handed Socialist Mayor Henry Stump a "petition" threatening mob rule against unionists.

Signed by 6,000 alleged "citizens," and handed to the City Council by attorney J. Howard Jacobs, the petition warned the mayor of the vigilantes' intentions of "taking over the duties of the police department."

The Berkshire Knitting Mills strike here has been marked by violence against the strikers since its beginning. One person was killed and many others brutally beaten by thugs and Pennsylvania State police.

Mayor Stump, in answer to the vigilantes' threat declared today: "The threat of a vigilance committee is in itself lawlessness."

Puentes Is Released on Tampa Charge

Committee for Foreign Born Aids Fight Against Deportation

TAMPA, Florida, Jan. 13.—Wilfredo Puentes, 17, facing deportation to Cuba, has been released here in the custody of his attorney Edwin L. Bryan, retained by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born.

Puentes, son of Lorenzo Puentes, Tampa tradeunionist, entered the United States legally with his father in 1926. He was arrested Dec. 21. He was charged with membership in the Communist Party. The Labor Department originally demanded a bail bond of $1,000 for Wilfredo's release, but, due to the storm of protest, was forced to release the boy in his attorney's custody.

It has been announced that Wilfredo's deportation hearing is to be held here next week. The Government has been finding it difficult to obtain witnesses.

WHAT'S ON

Philadelphia

All Labor, Fraternal and Workers Organizations are invited to send representatives to the Lenin Memorial Conference to be held on Sunday, Jan. 17, at the Workers' School, 2 P.M., 1314 Walnut St.

Card Party and Dance, Saturday, Jan. 16, 8 P.M. at 1306 N. 7th St. Good Program. Dancing. Refreshments. Adm. 15c.

Symposium on Housing. Speakers: Benson Dutton, Chairman Housing Committee of National Negro Congress; Wm. N. Jones, Editor "Afro-American"; Heinz Norden, President City-Wide Housing League of New York; Oscar O. Stonorow, Builder of Carl Mackley House. Sunday, Jan. 17. 8 P.M. Philadelphia People's Forum, 311 S. Juniper St. Subs. 25 cents.

Chicago, Ill.

Harry M. Wicks, prominent tradeunionist, will speak Sunday, Jan. 17, 8 P.M. on the "Low-Down on Sitdown—The Strike Technique of Today," at the Central Loop Forum at 330 S. Wells St. Suite 810. Adm. 20c. Ausp.: Friends of Chicago Workers School.

Register now for the Winter Term opening Monday, January 11th. New Courses of interest to every worker and trade unionist are offered. Phone Harrison 3236 or call at Chicago Workers School, 330 S. Wells St., Suite 810, for new attractive catalog.

Come and be entertained at Sec. 4 C. P. Amateur Night and Dance. Saturday evening, Jan. 16, Viking Temple, 3257 Sheffield Ave. Adm. with this ad 35c.

Boston

First Time in New England. "A Greater Promise," film of Biro-Bidjan, beginning Monday, January 11th through January 17th. Three showings daily at 5-7-9 P.M. at Brown Hall, 394 Huntington Ave., Boston. Adm. 40c.

"The Drive in Steel." Lecture by Phil Frankfeld at Progressive Labor School, 330 Newbury St., Thursday, January 14th, 8 P.M. Adm. 10c.

Phil Frankfeld conducts weekly Trade Union Lecture series. First lecture Thursday.

Detroit, Mich.

THE EVENT OF THE YEAR—Detroit People's School presents First Annual STUDENT JAMBOREE, Saturday nite Jan. 16th. Spend a night in Harlem. Gala Floor Show, featuring Jimmie Davenport's 10-piece band; Nan Snow, Detroit's Sepia Songbird; Estelle Bush and her Exteletes. Rhythm Revue. Trucking Contest. Ahepa Temple, 105 Davenport. Advance tickets 35c. At door 40c.

JOBLESS FIGHT FORCED LABOR WITHOUT PAY

New Rochelle Jobless and WPA Men Move for Alliance Affiliation

NEW ROCHELLE, N. Y., Jan. 13. —Meetings, demonstrations and a sit-in are being conducted in Westchester County by unemployed workers protesting the "work for food" orders and the increasing WPA lay-offs.

The "work for food" program especially has aroused great resentment among jobless and among trade union members who see in this drastic action, backed by the reactionary Standard-Star, a threat to trade union standards.

More than 100 unemployed met in the Irish Benevolent Hall, 18 Lawton St., where speakers assailed Director of Public Safety Blanche S. Emerson's order that persons on relief have to perform work in return for their food orders.

MUSICIANS IN SIT-DOWN

Led by Antonio Lombardo, Communist candidate for Mayor in the last elections, a demonstration marched to City Hall to see Mayor Harry Scott or City Manager Irving C. Brower. They got a runaround from both, but waited for hours until the Mayor returned. Then, before he would listen to them, he insisted that each person give his name. When they refused, the Mayor called police and ordered the jobless thrown out.

Thirty-five musicans fired from WPA projects began a sit-in Monday at WPA headquarters in Yonkers, demanding reinstatement.

Meanwhile, workers on home relief and on WPA have taken the first steps toward affiliation with the Workers Alliance. Provisional relief workers' organization committees have been set up.

'Racket Chaser' Shuns Crime, Hits at Unions

Dewey 'Investigates' Electricians' Local, Charges Collusion

With organized crime and brazen rackets doing a rush business throughout the city, Special Rackets Prosecutor Thomas E. Dewey continued to overlook real gangsterism and level his fire against the trade unions.

Latest of the unions to come under Dewey's "investigation" is Local 3 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

Vague charges of "collusion" between contractors and union officials were made by the prosecutor's office.

A series of raids resulted in the impounding of the books and records of Local 3.

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The Mandate Violated Again

• In his first two messages to the new Congress, President Roosevelt surrendered to Wall Street reaction on the question of the Spanish civil war and gave it important concessions in regard to the Supreme Court and relief expenditures.

In his third message the President continues to move in the same direction by proposing a type of government reorganization that would strengthen the power of the Executive at the expense of the power of Congress.

Thus, for the third time Roosevelt is violating the clear mandate given him by the American people on Nov. 3.

No doubt reorganization is needed in the Federal government, and there can be no objection to it in principle. The trouble with the President's proposals, however, is that, despite his assurances to the contrary, they will curtail democracy. The fact that certain extreme reactionaries may also object to further centralization of power under Roosevelt — though they favored it under Hoover—should not blind us to the essentially undemocratic character of most of the recommendations.

The heart of the reorganization plan is not the addition of two new departments, which involve genuine questions of efficiency, but the proposal to strip certain agencies created by Congress of their independent power by placing them in one of the government departments under the control of the President.

Thus, for example, the Federal Communications Commission might conceivably be placed in the Department of Commerce, which is nothing but the vestibule of Big Business. Recently the FCC did valuable work by its investigation of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co. Had it been part of the Department of Commerce, presided over by the notorious stooge of Big Business, Daniel C. Roper, it is safe to say that the investigation would either never have taken place or would have been conducted in such a way as to whitewash A. T. & T.

Together with these undemocratic proposals, Roosevelt recommends salary increases—for those at the top (cabinet members and the like). What about the rank and file of poorly paid government employes?

"In these troubled years of world history," Roosevelt's message declared, "a self-government can not long survive unless that government is an effective and efficient agency to serve mankind and carry out the will of the nation."

To serve mankind and carry out the will of the nation means to expand WPA instead of curtailing it. It means to propose genuine social security legislation, the 30-hour week without reduction in pay, a federal law guaranteeing a minimum annual wage, legislation to strengthen collective bargaining and outlaw company unions and industrial spy systems, a housing program for the masses of the people, adequate aid to the farmers, measures to curb the usurped power of the Supreme Court, active steps to collaborate with the peace forces of the world against the fascist aggressors.

In face of these pressing issues, government reorganization at best is a secondary matter. In the form presented by Roosevelt it holds possibilities of doing great harm to the cause of democracy and progress.

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The Words of Hitler Change Nothing

• Every time Hitler is halted in some dastardly step of aggression he demands tribute.

Caught red-handed in the act of grabbing Spanish Morocco, Hitler was forced to back down. And in backing down, he sends his silk-hatted agent, Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, Nazi Money Dictator, to Paris to negotiate for the consideration for his retreat.

Dr. Schacht is expected to dicker for loans or colonial concessions.

Will the Blum cabinet repeat its previous grave mistake of slobbering over Hitler's fiscal agent, offering him loans (so Hitler can speed his war armaments) or colonies (so that the Nazi butcher can get raw materials for war?)

Hitler's promise to behave in Morocco is worth much less than the scores of treaties the chief Nazi bandit has unceremoniously torn to scraps.

Will the French officials accept Hitler's guilty smile as repentance and allow the Nazis to continue their maneuvering with the French de la Rocques for Civil War in France and war for the world?

L'Humanite, French Communist newspaper, correctly says:

"The words of Hitler change exactly nothing."

It is up to Premier Blum to stick by the People's Front program which is against granting concessions to Fascism. Whenever he veers from that guide, no wonder he wins the applause of the Rightist press of France and of all Europe.

The Nazis continue their criminal invasion of Spain.

Plans for colonial seizures go ahead.

Not a comma, not a dot of the German Fascist war plans have changed.

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Wanted: An Immediate Federal Housing Program

• Owners of old-law tenements are granted another six months of grace by the terms of a bill just passed by the New York State Senate in order to prevent wholesale evictions of tenants.

Such unsatisfactory stopgap measures for local emergencies only emphasize the need for a large-scale federal low-rent housing program. Langdon W. Post, New York City Tenement House Commissioner, told the recent American Federation of Labor convention that the country is rapidly approaching the greatest housing crisis in its history.

Yet in the face of this situation, the Roosevelt administration has thus far failed to act. While Roosevelt is making a great to-do about government reorganization, what about reorganizing the living conditions for millions of dwellers in disease- and crime-breeding slums?

Despite his pledges to make a real attack on the problem, the President's budget message appropriates for the Federal Housing Administration the munificent sum of $16,000,000, plus $31,000,000 listed as "emergency housing" — whatever that may mean.

A federal housing program can no longer be postponed. One of the most pressing tasks before Congress is the enactment of a measure along the lines of the housing bill introduced in the last Congress by Representative Byron Scott of California.

This bill was designed to provide 10,000,000 dwelling units within ten years through outright grants to local Public Housing Agencies of 85 per cent of the land and construction cost. Rents under the Scott Bill would be no more than $5 per room per month, thus enabling those with incomes of less than $1,500—which means three-quarters of all American families — to provide decent homes for themselves.

The private real estate interests and other Big Business' representatives won't like a bill of this type. **But this was the kind of legislation that the American people voted for on Nov. 3. And this is the kind of legislation that the people can get if the trade unions and other progressive organizations join forces to fight for its enactment.**

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Saved from the Death Chair

• Three Negro youths, scheduled for death at Sing Sing, will not die there tonight.

Late yesterday afternoon Governor Lehman commuted their sentences to life imprisonment.

Lawrence Jackson, 18; Robert Taliaferro, 19, and Wentworth Springer, 17, have thus been saved from the electric chair.

The protests against the mass executions planned by the State of New York for January are having some effect at Albany. It is a bitter reflection on "justice" in the Empire State, nevertheless, that these young men have been brought to the shadow of death at Sing Sing in the way that they have.

Justices of the Court of Appeals have declared that there is grave doubt as to their guilt. That is the reason given by the Governor for the commutation order. The entire case has the earmarks of a crude frame-up, as the parents of young Taliaferro contend.

We have seen too much, throughout the country, of the practice of the police in picking up Negro young men whenever a crime is committed. Unable to find the criminal, these police seek to pin the crime on the first Negro who comes to hand, at the same time inflaming public opinion on the race issue. Let the police look for the criminal and not to the person on whom to fit the crime through appeals to prejudice and passion.

Deeper than the guilt or innocence of these young men is the cruel stupidity which rules the concept of "crime" in the State of New York. This stupidity here again stands revealed. These young men are the victims of the sordidness and limitations of poverty and slum life. What has the wealthy State of New York done to eliminate the wretched housing and the bitter poverty which presses young men into "crime"? What has the State done to give these youths jobs and education? NOTHING! That is a criminal condition which no commutation of sentences can excuse or cure.

The Daily Worker has taken the lead in the fight for these three youths and for the others who have been marked for death at Sing Sing, because it is fighting that unjust poverty which lies at the root of crime. Let the Empire State begin at once to afford that proper education, proper housing and proper security which will strike at the causes of crime.

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

• Whenever German fascism makes a retreat or deploys, Dr. Hjalmar Schacht heads the parade. Having suffered a set-back for the moment in their Moroccan adventures, the Nazis hope, with the help of Britain, to haggle colonial or credit concessions from France. Schacht is expected in Paris on June 18, ostensibly to lay a corner-stone, actually to collect the bribe for the Moroccan retreat.

When the financial dictator of the Nazis was in Paris not so long ago the Communist Party of France berated the Blum cabinet for going out of its way in feting the Nazi business front.

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While Schacht goes to Paris, smirking, bowing, business-like, the "Week" in London reports that actual mobilization orders have gone out in Germany to prepare for any war eventuality.

Wall Street opinion has it that Hitler is out on an economic limb, and is facing a catastrophe of inner conflict and/or war. The confidential business sheet of the Whaley-Eaton Service Foreign Letter, in one of its late issues, wrote:

"There are signs that the German economic crisis is at hand, when the nation must choose between abandoning some of its program of economic isolation, or facing a domestic catastrophe, or of turning to war. Hitler's difficulty is that, by the latest decrees, all German effort is now a part of the rearmament movement. To abandon it, even partially, in favor of economic and political co-operation with Europe, might be a confession of defeat for Nazi policies, but face-saving devices are possible."

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Schacht's trip to Paris is to get a substantial golden or colonial face-saving device; and the danger is that Blum's associates may be too apt to encourage the Nazis economically, which is just a round-about way of encouraging them militarily. Colonies or credit concessions can not allay the Nazi war lust but only make it more certain if slightly delayed.

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Fascist penetration of Greece, under the Metaxas dictatorship, is proceeding apace. Though Mussolini is primarily interested, Hitler is making the most gains, because he has the assistance of those Tories who favor an Anglo-German alliance so far as the Mediterranean is concerned instead of an Anglo-Italian one.

British policy is not set, however, toward Metaxas. The more liberal of the British bourgeoisie are extremely worried about Hitler's gains in Greece. The agents of the British Intelligence Service and the Ambassador of Great Britain have by no means been pleased with the way Metaxas has thrown himself into the arms of Hitler.

Metaxas has been trying to destroy the prestige of King George of Greece, Britain's political mainstay.

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How far German penetration in Greece has gone can be seen from these incidents: The German General Falckenhausen, head of a Nazi financial group, has bought up the Casino and the whole environs of the coast town of Lutarki near Corinth. The Casino's ground will become a Nazi submarine base in the Aegean. Another important Nazi figure in Greece is the mysterious Col. Habicht, who has become the "man behind the scenes" in Metaxas's War Ministry.

This Nazi militarist's influences is tremendous. He has been given responsibility for the entire Greek fortifications, which are being developed with German skill, engineers, money and material. Under Col. Habicht's personal supervision, ferro-concrete fortifications, with German guns, have been erected at the entrance of the Gulf of Corinth, at Cape Araxos, for domination of the Gulf of Piraeus and the arsenals, as well as along the coast of the Gulf of Salonica.

British journalists in Greece have made an outcry against Nazi military as well as political and economic penetration. But Metaxas has sought to allay suspicion by paying British war debt holders 70 per cent of their annual payments as against 25 per cent they originally received.

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From a copy of the illegal Rote Fahne of Austria, just received here, we learn that the Austrian Revolutionary Socialist Party and the Communist Party have renewed their united front pledges.

The introductory paragraph of this new united front agreement, inspired by the Spanish Civil War and the danger of a new world war, reads:

"The policy of the Schuschnigg dictatorship in incorporating Austria in the fascist war bloc, and the internal political consequences of this policy, demand the highest measure of unity within the labor movement and the surmounting of all differences which hinder the development of joint action." There then follows four points, providing: (1) United action in all mass organizations, legal and illegal unions, for improving working conditions and fighting wage cuts; (2) activity for trade union rights; (3) struggle against the Schuschnigg policy of assisting General Franco and to give all aid possible to the Spanish people; to expose slanders against the Soviet Union; (4) reaffirming the unity agreement of March, 1936, and pledging closer co-operation; (5) closer action of Socialists and Communists in all instances.

QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

QUESTION: The Daily Worker has used the slogan: "A Christmas Gift for the Daily" in the financial drive. Since Christmas is a religious holiday, why does the "Daily" use this slogan? R. T.

ANSWER: The giving of Christmas gifts has now gone far beyond any specific religious significance. Such gifts are common expressions of good fellowship and friendship.

They have come to be a custom among the people in general, regardless of religious or non-religious views. Christmas has become a traditional holiday.

When the Daily Worker asked for "a Christmas gift" in the financial campaign, it used an expression which is understood among wide numbers of the people in this particular way. We believe that the questioner knows of many persons in his own acquaintance who send Christmas cards and gifts without any particular religious implications in so doing.

'NOT UNTIL YOU AGREE'! by Gropper

Irish People Repudiate Aid to Franco, Say Father O'Flanagan and IRA Men

DUBLIN, Jan. 13.—Ireland is not Fascist—the Irish people repudiate the O'Duffy Fascist volunteer brigade that went to help Franco in Spain.

Proof of the feelings of the real leaders of the Irish people has been given in a series of articles, speeches and statements by leaders of the Church, of the old Irish Republican Army, and of the Labor and National movements.

Included in the list who have spoken out are the Patriot Priest, Rev. Michael O'Flanagan, Frank Ryan, Left Wing Republican leader, and Thomas P. Irwin of the Old Dublin Brigade, I. R. A.

The Worker, of Dublin, in recent issues reported their utetrances as follows:

FATHER O'FLANAGAN

In the course of a powerful indictment of Fascism at a great meeting in the Engineers' Hall, Dublin, the Rev. Michael O'Flanagan, the distinguished patriot priest, said:

"The fight in Spain is a fight of the rich privileged classes against the rank and file of the poor oppressed people of Spain. The cause being fought for in Spain is nearer us than is realized. The Foreign Legion and Moorish troops are to Spain what the Black and Tans were to Ireland. The Spaniards didn't send any people to join the Black and Tans here and they didn't make collections in their churches to help the Black and Tans in Ireland.

"The Government of Spain was elected by the votes of the people, and on the other side is a body of rebels, mostly the old army. They are just the same type as our own General Gough and Carsons at home. The people who are calling the Spanish rebels 'patriots' have proved to be very bad judges of patriots in Ireland.

"When we had real patriots fighting in Dublin they were called looters and it was said they were in the pay of Germany. We had an editorial in one newspaper (an illusion to Murphy's Independent) asking for the death of two of the noblest patriots in the history of Ireland, James Connolly and Sean McDermott.

"It is in the Red Republic of Russia that nationalities similar to the Basques have got their fullest freedom.

"We have had the experience here," Father O'Flanagan continued, "of men being refused the rights of their church because they were real patriots. Even clergymen who were true to their country, such as Father Murphy in '98, were spurned by the ecclesiastics of their time, who were hand and glove with the British Government. Now we have monuments erected to these patriot priests. I hope the Irish people will see through the hypocrisy and sham of their enemies and rally to the cause of truth and justice." (Loud applause greeted the conclusion of Father O'Flanagan's speech.)

FRANK RYAN

Interviewed by a Worker representative before his departure for Spain to take command of the Irish section of the International Column, now commanded by General Kleber, Frank Ryan, the outstanding Left Wing Republican leader, said:

"The Irish contingent is a demonstration of revolutionary Ireland's solidarity with the gallant Spanish workers and peasants in their fight for freedom against Fascism. It aims to redeem Irish honor, besmirched by the intervention of Irish Fascism on the side of the Spanish Fascist rebels. It is to aid the revolutionary movements in Ireland to defeat the Fascist menace home, and, finally, and not the least, to establish the closest fraternal bonds of kinship between the Republican democracies of Ireland and Spain."

This is the reply of the Irish workers from Belfast to Cork to the shame brought on Ireland's name before the world by O'Duffy, Belton and the "Independent" and their intervention on the side of Franco, with his Foreign Legionnaires and Moors.

Frank Ryan has had a distinguished career in the Irish Independence struggle, both in the Black and Tan and Post-Treaty periods. He was a member of the Executive of the I. R. A. for years, editor of "An Phoblacht," the victim of innumerable jailings under the Cosgrave regime—the last under the notorious Coercion Act. Ryan has for several years been one of the most consistent champions of the United Front in Ireland, the union of Republican and Labor movements in the fight against imperialism and Fascism.

With him are outstanding figures in the Communist Party, the Republican and working class movements. Among these are Kit Conway, of Tipperary, Jack Nalty, P. Duff, Donal O'Reilly, Seumas Cummins from Dublin, Frank Edwards of Waterford; all active revolutionaries in the National and Labor movements.

THE OLD DUBLIN BRIGADE

The following letter was published in the daily press from Mr. Thomas P. Irwin on behalf of the Old Dublin Brigade, Irish Republican Army:

"A report appeared in the 'Irish Independent' of Dec. 1 of a function held in the Hotel St. George by a body calling themselves the Old Dublin Brigade Flying Squad, I. R. A. Mr. J. Dolan proposed, and Mr. J. Foy seconded, a resolution pledging their moral support to the youth of the country who had gone to Spain, and generally supporting General O'Duffy in his sacrifice to the cause of General Franco. The Dublin Brigade Old I. R. A. Executive Committee repudiate in the strongest possible terms the action of Messrs. Dolan, Foy and Coughlan in affording their support to General O'Duffy, when they speak as if representing the Old Dublin Brigade; and, furthermore, they wish it to be known that that particular group have no connection with the Old Dublin Brigade I. R. A., and that some of them have never had any connection with the A. S. U. of the Dublin Brigade I. R. A."

Letters from Our Readers

Neutrality Legislation—A Victory For Hearst

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

With the insolence and haughtiness characteristic of every born plutocrat, Hearst viciously attacked Roosevelt when the latter was appealing to the American people to re-elect him.

Hearst having picked up another set of men for the carrying out of his never-ended offensive against the workers' rights for an equitable share in the fruits of their labors.

The people believed in what candidate Roosevelt was saying about his determination to defend democracy, subdue the "economic royalist" and maintain a genuine "good neighbor" policy toward all nations. Hearst's men were thoroughly defeated at the polls. And then, as unexpectedly as an earthquake, the re-elected Chief Executive began to receive the warm plaudits of the despicable Hearst. And properly so, for Roosevelt has started complying with his former enemy's pet demands: cut relief funds to the bone, but build battleships; pave the way for a fascist triumph in Spain by a tide prohibition of the sale of arms to its legitimate government.

The new Neutrality Bill is a victory for Hearst; a knockout blow to the best wishes and hopes of the people. There is real joy in the hearts of the reactionaries.

It is the people that elected Roosevelt. It is up to them to see that their mandate is carried to the letter. A. G. D.

Militancy of Workers Shown Through Workers' Alliance

Lincoln, Nebr.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The Workers Alliance is leading the fight in Nebraska against cuts in WPA jobs and for increased wages. This fight has won an extra 4,000 jobs for Nebraska WPA workers. Under the leadership of the Workers Alliance, petitions and letters of protest poured in a steady stream onto the desks of Senator Norris and President Roosevelt until the protest of WPA workers had to be recognized in some way. The result was an increase in the quota from 15,000 to 19,000 for one month.

But the battle is not won. This addition of jobs is only temporary. The WPA, acting on pressure from Republicans, Chamber of Commerce and Liberty Leaguers and other reactionaries, is going to lay off enough WPA workers to reduce the WPA by 60 per cent by July 1st. Organized effort by the workers is the only answer to this plan of the big shots to starve our families.

The people on direct relief are backing the WPA workers. Because of this militancy of labor the employed workers are able to maintain their own wages since the unemployed are not forced to compete for their jobs.

All workers and farmers are asked to join the Workers Alliance in a mighty struggle for wages and relief on an American scale, for it has a definite program aimed at the economic betterment of all workers and farmers. L. G.

A Staunch Fighter Leaves the Ranks

Hilda Lubin Lived and Died Fighting On the WPA Picket Lines and Organizing for the Communist Party

By Beth McHenry

To hear of any Communist dying now, when they're so badly needed to organize America so that the workers won't have to submit to humiliation and starvation and brutality forever, makes you feel bad. But when you know the Communist that died, and it was such a hard working one and a young one, it gives you the feeling that everyone will always have about, say, Jack Reed and Pablo de la Torriente.

This comrade, Hilda Lubin, was a young writer, full of life and energy and active on all the picket lines WPA workers stretched across New York City. She was the sort of kid who had a meeting every night and who did three or four jobs a day—only a third of which were to help herself make a living. She begrudged the time she had to give to anything but organizational work.

She Wanted To Help Everybody

I did not see her more than a few times. She was eager to help out wherever she could and she had stories she wanted to write for workers. She had been a singer and a dancer and a nurse, though she was only 25, and never in all her life had she had an easy day's pay or a very nice place to live. But she was so alive, so vigorous and colorful, that the thought of her lying quiet in a coffin is a horrible one.

Hilda Lubin died of a heart attack, after a hard day's work, after a week of energies spent in her union and other organizational activities. She was an active member of the American Writers Union and she had made up her mind that one group of writers who were going to be organized were the "pulp" guys.

Her Kind Friends Were Poor

"Why they're just as poor, and they work just as hard as anyone else I know," she told me when I saw her. "I know, because I'm one myself. You write half the night, pounding out copy by the thousands of words, and when you've pounded enough and gone through it again to be sure it's got the right amount of jazz in it, you take it out and sell it for a few dollars. No pulp writer ever pays his landlady regular. It just isn't in the game."

Hilda had to give up singing because her voice was injured. But she didn't turn sour or grow melancholy about it. She turned as fast as she could to another trade, and worker friends. She never was one for fancy people, she said.

"I guess I'd never feel at home in a fine drawing room sipping tea. I have to be out with people that are like me and the ones I grew up with. You know where I feel most at home?" She laughed and showed her teeth which were wide and white and pretty. "On the picket line. That's a fact. Even when I went to jail with the other writers, I didn't mind. I was with people like myself, and we were fighting, and that's a lot."

'SWEET LAND' NEXT AT LAFAYETTE

Conrad Seiler's play, "Sweet Land," staged by the Negro Youth unit of the WPA Federal Theatre Project, is the next scheduled attraction at the Lafayette Theatre in Harlem following "Bassa Moona," which closed Saturday.

"Sweet Land" dramatizes the evolution of the Negro social consciousness from "Uncle Tom" days to the present.

Your Health

Patent Medicines Again

THE FOLLOWING PATENT medicines were seized by the Food and Drugs Administration of the U. S. government and charged with making false and fraudulent medicinal claims:

British oil—offered for the treatment of rheumatic disorders, "contractions of the nerves," wandering pains, palsy, lameness, swelling, cuts, deafness, cough, shortness of breath, etc.

Dr. Goodman's Herbal Compound—suggested for stomach, liver, kidneys, blood, bladder, rheumatism, chills.

Hot Springs Mineral Wonder Health Water—sold as useful "for your health's sake." Analysis showed it to be not much different from the water that runs out of the kitchen sink in many city water supplies.

Indian Remedy—for liver, kidney and bowel disorders, flu, sour stomach, loss of appetite, tired feeling and so on.

Olivo Hair Oil and Olivo Hair Tonic—falsely claimed as of Italian origin and offered for treating dandruff, eczema, falling hair.

Silver Crown Hair-Scalp Tonic—suggested for same purposes as above.

As we have pointed out so many times, the purchase of various nostrums and patent medicines is entirely a waste of money, and the use of such medicines by people who are seriously sick is an effective way of mistreating oneself and of delaying proper diagnosis and medical treatment until it is too late or until valuable time has been lost. Chemical analysis of these so-called "remedies" always proves that they contain some useless preparation, with a little coloring matter added, with the addition of alcohol as a mild stimulant in some cases or a mild sedative in others. The use of such products, we repeat, is not only absolutely worthless but is sometimes dangerous to health and even life itself.

ACQUIRES REED COMEDY

Alfred de Liagre, Jr., has acquired Mark Reed's comedy called "All About Love" which he will present in New York about the middle of February. Mr. de Liagre will also direct the piece. This will be the second production on which Mr. Reed and Mr. de Liagre will be associated since in 1935 with Richard Aldrich, the latter presented 'Petticoat Fever" by the same author with Dennis King in the leading role.

Physicians' Course At Workers School

A group of physicians have been invited to give a course of lectures at the Workers School. Among the subjects covered by these specialists in their respective fields will be such topics as Birth Control, Industrial Diseases, Sex and Nervousness, Facts and Frauds in Foods and Medicines, Diet, Care of the Skin and Hair.

There will be six lectures. The fee for the entire course is $2 and a year's subscription to HEALTH AND HYGIENE will be given to everyone who registers for the course.

The first lecture of the series, "Facts and Frauds in Foods and Medicines," will be given Friday night, January 15. Register Now!

Theatre Union Gets Ready

Three Hard But Successful Years Lie Behind Left-Wing Theatre

A little more than three years ago, the Theatre Union opened its first play, "Peace on Earth," by Albert Maltz and George Sklar, thus establishing the first professional labor theatre in America. The play ran for almost 16 weeks, drawing its audiences from hundreds of varied labor and fraternal organizations in the city. The second production of its first season—"Stevedore" by Paul Peters and George Sklar—opened in April 1934, cementing the reputation given the Theatre Union by its first play.

Only the excessive heat of the summer in the old Civic Repertory Theatre on 14th St. forced the play to close after an even longer run than "Peace on Earth." So impressive was the appeal of "Stevedore," to audience and critics alike, that the play had to be revived in the fall of 1934 to satisfy the demands of the thousands of people who had failed to see the original spring production.

Five Productions In Two Years

There followed in rapid succession during the next two years, the productions of "Sailors of Cattaro" by Friedrich Wolf, "Black Pit" by Albert Maltz, "Mother" by Bert Brecht, "Let Freedom Ring" by Albert Bein, and "Bitter Stream" by Victor Wolfson. Out of these productions flowered not only the professional reputation which the Theatre Union enjoys, but the large audience which makes the Theatre Union's continued existence almost—in the common parlance—"a mandate from the people" of New York City.

Three years ago, when the Theatre Union first appeared on the scene, it was a strange, but welcome pioneer. Today it is a recognized part of the theatre world, and part and parcel of the annual program of hundreds of working class and progressive organizations. Its importance, especially this year, cannot be minimized; particularly now that the Group Theatre has announced that it will disband until the fall. This leaves the Theatre Union in the position of the sole left theatre in the city. In one case, however, it has always been the only labor theatre, whose plays were aimed directly at, and written solely for, a working class audience.

The first Theatre Union offering of the present season will be of particular theatrical and labor interest. John Howard Lawson, author of many brilliant stage successes, has written his first real working class play. Three years of effort have gone into the writing of "Marching Song" which deals with the problems and battles of the unemployed workers in a modern industrial town. To make the interest even more timely, the dominant power in the town is the automobile industry, which establishes a decidedly contemporary importance to the play, going into production in the midst of the great battles, led by the C.I.O., in the automobile field.

THEATRE UNION AT NORA BAYES

The Theatre Union has acquired the Nora Bayes Theatre on West 44th St., for its forthcoming production of John Howard Lawson's "Marching Song." The opening date is Feb. 17th and Anthony Brown will direct.

THE CENTURY MARK

The saga of the Ozarks, "Swing Your Lady!" featuring Hope Emerson, John Alexander and Joe Laurie, Jr., at the 46th Street Theatre, gave its 100th performance at the Wednesday matinee, Jan. 13th. The entire company is planning a monster party to celebrate this event, long anticipated, despite the fact that it occurs the closing week of the Nicholson-Robinson comedy.

BOOKS *of the* DAY

By EDWIN SEAVER

"AMERICA TODAY: A Book of 100 Prints," published by the Equinox Cooperative Press, is a direct outcome of organization on the part of American artists. More specifically, it is a direct outcome of the American Artists' Congress Against War and Fascism, which met in New York City a year ago.

This Congress brought more than 400 of our leading artists together, to try to discover their common problems, common interests, common enemies. The immediate outcome was a permanent organization, the American Artists' Congress, whose purpose is to achieve unity of action among artists of recognized standing in their profession, on all issues which concern their economic and cultural security and freedom, and to fight war, fascism and reaction, which they deem the destroyer of art and science.

One of the first acts of the newly formed Artists' Congress was the preparation of a nation-wide exhibit of duplicate prints to be held simultaneously in thirty American cities. The jury was composed of the following artists: Arnold Blanch, Stuart Davis, Ernest Fiene, Hugo Gellert, William Gropper, Wanda Gag, Yasuo Kuniyoshi, Margaret Lowengrund, Louis Lozowick, George Picken, Harry Sternberg, Lynd Ward and Max Weber.

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"EACH JUROR," the introduction to the present book states, "was asked to include one of his own works in the exhibition. The method of selection (from the hundreds of prints offered) was an innovation in jury procedure. It was the most democratic available. Each juror made an individual selection of one hundred prints, and then their written lists were tallied for the hundred prints receiving the highest number of votes."

"America Today" is the record, in book form, of the final selection that went on exhibition.

In his foreword to the collection, Alex R. Stavenitz makes two significant comments on the collection. He notes first the growing social-consciousness on the part of our artists. "It reflects a deep-going change that has been taking place among artists for the last few years—a deep change that has taken many of them not only to their studio window to look outside, but right through the door and into the street, into the mills, farms, mines and factories. More and more artists are finding the world outside their studios increasingly interesting and exciting, and filling their pictures with their reactions to humanity about them, rather than with apples or flowers."

Secondly, Mr. Stavenitz notes a changing attitude toward the print on the part of both artist and public. The artists are now endeavoring to make their work accessible to the largest possible public. "They realize that it is as wrong to destroy a fine plate or block after pulling a small number of proofs, when thousands of people would like to own such prints, as it is to create an artificial scarcity of food by destroying pigs and wheat while hundreds of thousands go hungry."

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THERE IS, correspondingly, a growing public for prints today. "Many are learning to appreciate the fine possibilities inherent in this medium for humor, tragedy, satire and full-bodied depiction of life. They no longer regard the print only as wall decoration, but as a form of contemporary expression, whether it be hung on the wall or studied in portfolio."

The publishers claim that "America Today" demonstrates "the recent rescue of the print from preciosity; the return to the dynamic tradition of Durer, Rembrandt, Goya, Forain and Daumier." These are big names, and I should be more willing to grant the first part of the above statement than the second. But there is no doubt that the collection, as a whole, is most impressive, and that the standard set throughout the collection is unusually high.

It is too bad, I think, that the editors did not find room for biographical notes on the artists represented. Many of the names are unfamiliar to the general public and we should like to know more about our artists than we can learn from a single print.

(AMERICA TODAY: *A Book of One Hundred Prints. Chosen and exhibited by the American Artists' Congress. Equinox Cooperative Press*; $5).

Hi-Lites on the Air Lanes

NEWS
8:30-WMCA, WEAF, WJZ and WABC
9:00-WOR
11:00-WMCA, WOR, WEAF, WJZ, WABC
CLASSICAL MUSIC
3:30-WQXR—Classical Recordings
4:00-WABC—Story of Song
8:00-WOR—Symphony Orchestra; Richard Hageman, Conductor
WJZ—Serge Koussevitsky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra
TALKS, VARIETY and COMEDY
8:00-WEAF—Rudy Vallee's Varieties
WABC—Kate Smith's Bandwagon; James Barton, Actor, Guest
9:00-WEAF—Showboat Program
9:30-WJZ—American Town Hall of the Air
10:00-WEAF—Bob Burns and Bing Crosby
10:30-WABC—March of Time
11:05-WJZ—Norman Thomas—Talk
DANCE MUSIC
8:30-WOR—Guy Lombardo's Orchestra
10:00-WOR—Cab Calloway's Orchestra
11:00-WJZ—Russ Morgan's Orchestra
WABC—Freeman Orchestra
11:15-WEAF—Busse Orchestra
WOR—Kay Kayser's Orchestra
WJZ—Hines Orchestra
WABC—Abe Lyman's Orchestra

NEWS OF STAGE AND SCREEN

Two Young Conspirators

The two leading juvenile players, Freddie Bartholomew and Douglass Scott in "Lloyds of London," which opens today at the Radio City Music Hall for a run at popular prices after an extended showing at the Astor.

Mozart Quintet Well Played

By MARTIN McCALL

For nineteen years, the Beethoven Association has succeeded in miraculously gathering together for its specific concerts all the first-rate musicians in or about New York. These irresistible and brilliant concerts as often as not include memorable details, and frequently are each season's highlights.

The Association's third concert this year provided one highly memorable detail — Mozart's familiar Quintet in A, for clarinet and string quartet. Mishel Piastro, Arthur Lichstein, Joseph Vieland, and Naoum Dinger comprised the quartet, and Simeon Bellison was clarinettist. One could not conceive of a better ensemble.

There was much to admire in the *lieder* singing of Gertrud Wettergren, Metropolitan contralto, whose voice, despite its strange aspirate attack, is outstanding for these times.

A Quintet with a program by Andre Caplet, written for harp and string quartet, served mainly to exhibit the facile virtuosity of Carlos Salzedo. The disgraceful portion of the evening, however, was devoted to the butchering of Beethoven's Sonata in E for piano (Opus 109) by the darling of the present crop of infantile wonders, Ruth Slenczynski. The girl has a definitely fair, but immature talent, and so long as her enterprising mentors thrust her upon us, we will show strong teeth. Nor does the Beethoven Association lapse this way as a rule.

Robert Casadesus is a really great pianist, and at his Town Hall recital on Sunday afternoon, one experienced the thorough, penetrating musicianship that is sought in vain in the Herculean poundings of the popular virtuosi. But hardly a full house heard the great French pianist, who with Rudolf Serkin alone, has this season confirmed the dignity and elevation of piano repertory. We salute an unusual artist.

There's a Broken Playwright For Every Light on Broadway

Melvin Levy Loses Perspective and Goes In For Something Simple—A Reinterpretation of "The Eternal Road"

A HOUSE IN THE COUNTRY—a Comedy in Three Acts by Melvin Levy. Staged by Melville Burke. Setting by P. Dodd Ackerman. Produced by Murray Queen. At the Vanderbilt Theatre.

Frankie Lotzgasel	Tom Powers	Mooney	Will Geer
President, his dog	Puck Powers	"Mr. Knox"	Roy Gordon
Gramma Alladay Lotzgasel	F. Siemons	Joe	Teddy Bergman
Herman Sigafoos	Alfred Herrick	Mac	Leon Ames
Delphine Lotzgasel	Louise Campbell	Bean	Elmer Brown

By Charles E. Dexter

What has happened to Melvin Levy? Is it possible that he has fallen asleep? The promising playwright, whose first important work was "Gold Eagle Guy," produced two seasons ago by the Group Theatre, is astonishingly represented on Broadway this week by something which could have been written by Mrs. Emily Jane Poopendorf of the West Highbridge Poopendorfs for the ladies of the Auxiliary of the Hodge-Podge Missionary Society for Depleted Zambesians.

The play is called "A House in the Country," but it should be called "Tom Powers' House in the Country." Mr. Levy, who, it is rumored, shares more than a few sympathetic tremors with us radicals, has been captured mind, Corona and typewriting pape. by Tom Powers. It is Mr. Powers who plays the role of the senescent old Pennsylvania Dutchman, in love with a gun. It is Mr. Powers who is on the stage of the Vanderbilt most of the time. And it is also Mr. Powers who cast most of the roles in the play out of his own head, from the cast of his own play of some time back, "Bridal Quilt."

The result is nothing much, embellished by two actors who probably came to the cast by way of Mr. Levy and his left sympathies: our own Will Geer and Alfred Herrick.

Can you honestly imagine a socially-conscious playwright burying his head in a play about some sad inmates of a stage Jugtown? And actually contriving to think of the brilliant idea that New York racketeers drop in on them? And weaving a startling plot about these contrasting groups which leads to the racketeers' capture by old man Powers? And a love story? And all that.

This Mr. Levy has done, quite as if he were a Republican or even had never heard of depressions, Spain, Hitler, et al. Or for that matter, of the Republican Party.

Mr. Levy's play is a dull failure, with Louise Campbell wasted in a tiny part. I am sure that it has been an object lesson to his and that he will do better next time.

"The Eternal Road" Anent

A printer's error resulted in my review of "The Eternal Road" losing most of its point. To those who may have gathered the impression that I thought the Reinhardt spectacle the wonder show of all time, I should like to say that it is indeed the largest and in many respects the most spectacular stage production of many seasons.

However, it is a poor specimen of ideological buffer to the encroachments of fascism. Franz Werfel, playwright, and Mr. Reinhardt have created, with the aid of money supplied by New York merchants, an enormous physical production.

It falls flat, however, "The Eternal Road" will lead to no struggle against fascism. As the answer of the Jewish people to the fascist oppressor, it awakens no response in the minds of its modern non-religious audiences. It offers only defeatism, taking-it-on-the-chinism. It promises only a mystic solution in the future, the coming of a messiah whose coming is not faintly discernible even to the faithful of Israel.

Because it is the creation of Nazi exiles, "The Eternal Road" has been hailed as their reply to Hitler's thunderous lies. In this respect, it is ineffective, for it avoids replying other than to say: "This new travail of the Jews will pass as have so many others. God will take care of us."

And this reply evokes no response in today's audience. It disappoints, is hollow, reeks with defeatism. Struggle is our reply, and the unity of all anti-fascist forces in a realistic counter-offensive against the terrorists.

A Fine Film Portrayal Of a Disordered Mind

"The Eternal Mask," New Picture at the Filmarte, Finely Acted and Well Directed Case History—Old D. W. Griffith Feature Is Re-made by British Company

THE ETERNAL MASK, an adaptation of the novel by Leo Lapaire, with screen play by Mr. Lapaire; directed by Werner Hochbaum; produced by Progress Films and presented by Arthur Mayer and Joseph Burstyn. At the Filmarte.

THE CAST

Professeur Tscherko	Peter Petersen
Doctor Dumartin	Mathias Wieman
Madame Negar	Olga Chechova
Doctor Wendt	Tom Kras
Sister Anna	Thekla Ahrens
Adam Negar	Franz Schafheitlin

By Dorothy Gates

The Filmarte continues to supply the adult moving-going populace with adult films. It is showing "The Eternal Mask," a study in madness produced by a Swiss film company, to the acclaim of the Filmarte patrons, an acclaim that this reviewer feels is justified.

It is pictures like "The Eternal Mask" which reestablish the faith of this movie goer in the mature, artistic values of sound films. With care and simple direction "The Eternal Mask" follows the development and the cure of a mental malady. Acting, directing, settings and plot—all make for painstaking and adult entertainment.

Whether or not the film is scientifically and psychoanalytically correct your reviewer is unable to say, lacking knowledge of psychiatry. In a later issue, this aspect of the film will be treated by a member of the Daily Worker Medical Advisory Board, an authority in the field. We can state, however, that from the entertainment point of view "The Eternal Mask" is a mature and intensely interesting portrayal of the working of a deranged mind.

Dr. Dumartin, a young physician in a Swiss hospital, has discovered a serum for the cure of meningitis. The superintendent of the hospital refuses to grant him permission to experiment with his discovery. Disobeying orders he injects the serum into a dying patient. The patient dies and Dr. Dumartin, haunted by the accusing words of the dead man's wife and the accusing glances of the hospital inmates, leaves the hospital.

He attempts to commit suicide; when he regains consciousness has no idea of his own identity. He is aware of only one thing—that he must find Dr. Dumartin, he must find him and warn him that the serum will kill, not cure. He doesn't know where the doctor is. Somewhere he feels he is imprisoned in a deep labyrinth, tortured and helpless and must be found.

All methods of treating Dr. Dumartin's insanity fail until a young colleague helps him to face his guilt, helps him to overcome the obstacle he has built up in his own mind.

Those scenes in which the wanderings of the young doctor's mind are described are excellently done, actual events interwoven with the imaginings and dreams of his disordered consciousness.

The acting as a whole is of an unusually high grade, simple, honest and straightforward, possessing an unaffected humanity rare in the films. Particularly good is the performance of the brilliant actor Mathias Wieman who plays Dr. Dumartin. Peter Peterson as the hospital head, Olga Chechova and Tom Krsa also contribute dignified and telling performances.

The photography and settings of the picture require special mention. They show great imagination and artistry on the part of Werner Hochbaum, the director. The photography has a clear, cleancut quality that resembles the orderliness and cleanliness of a laboratory, luminous, bright and well ordered.

"Broken" Blossoms

BROKEN BLOSSOMS—an adaptation of D. W. Griffith's silent film, directed by Hans Brahm, distributed by Imperial Distributing Corporation, produced by Julius Hagen for Twickenham Film Distributors. At the Belmont.

Lucy Burrows	Dolly Haas
Chen	Emlyn Williams
Battling Burrows	Arthur Margetson
Manager	Ernest Sefton
High Priest	C. V. France
Alf	Ernest Jay
Daisy	Bertha Belmore
Evil Eye	Gibb McLaughlin
Old Chinaman	Donald Calthrop
Mrs. Losey	Kathleen Harrison
Missionary	Kenneth Villiers
Bert	Jerry Verno
Mr. Reed	Basil Radford
Mrs. Reed	Edith Sharpe

Although we were too young to have seen the original which opened yesterday at the Belmont Theatre, we believe that the English version of "Broken Blossoms" is a fitting and sincere tribute to the directorial talents of D. W. Griffith. Based on the same story that Griffith produced in 1919, it possesses the sentimental, tearing-at-the-hearts-strings yet interesting appeal which made the director famous.

The German actress Dolly Haas, last seen here four years ago in "Maedchen in Uniform" plays the part that was assigned to Lillian Gish and Emlyn Williams, now horrifying Broadway with his own particular brand of murder, plays Richard Barthelmess' role. The tale is the same as that of yore, telling of the little Chinese boy who comes to London to preach the gospel of Buddha, is stoned and beaten, loses faith in his god, only to find it again through the little English girl whose father beats and mistreats her.

The story, although old and time-worn, possesses a beautiful air of reality. This is due mostly to the unusual settings and the really fine acting contributed by the entire cast, and, most important, to the authenticity and the horror with which the poverty and cramped existence of London's Limehouse district is represented.

Limehouse is akin to our Bowery or East Side. Its misery and the wretchedness is summed up in the plea of the little girl, for a particle of joy, something that sparkles, that shines, that has life. She collects silver paper, because of its brightness, and when her father, drunken and beastly, throws the carefully collected silver wrappings into the fire, you see her broken heart.

In the Griffith tradition, nature in all its aspects is symbolically represented. A brewing storm presages trouble, the howl of the wind more trouble, clouds over the sun impending doom. But all is used tastefully, unlike in many of our American films, that it is a welcome change. Latter day directors may well learn from the Griffith technique.

Dolly Haas is a moving and touching little girl, alone, terrified, extremely childlike and good. Her performance is not shrill enough to be irritating and her simplicity adds to a difficult role. Emlyn Williams as the young Chinese, come to save England, also alone in the world without faith in people, gives a touching and mature performance. The photography is well handled.

POSITIVELY FOURTH AND LAST TIME!

Guthrie McClintic yesterday announced that for the fourth and positively last time, he is extending the engagement of John Gielgud, Judith Anderson, Arthur Byron and Lillian Gish in "Hamlet" in the St. James Theatre. The farewell New York performance will be given on Saturday night, Jan. 30. During the last week beginning Monday, Jan. 25, the customary midweek matinee will be changed from Wednesday to Thursday in response to many requests from many players who wish to see this production, but have been unable to do so because their own matinees conflict with the "Hamlet" Wednesday matinee.

The Ruling Clawss

By Redfield

"College graduate, huh? Well, can you sweep floors?"

'LLOYDS OF LONDON' AT MUSIC HALL

"Lloyds of London," featuring Freddie Bartholomew, Madeline Carroll, Tyrone Power and Sir Guy Standing, will open at the Radio City Music Hall today.

"Lloyd's of London" was adapted to the screen by Ernest Pascal and Walter Ferris from a story by Curtis Kenyon. Kenneth Macgowan was associate producer of the picture.

OPENING TONIGHT

HOWDY, STRANGER—a farce about dude ranches by Robert Sloan and Lou Pelletier, Jr. The cast includes Frank Parker, Dorothy Libaire, Louis Sorin, Russ Brown, Catherine Proctor and Walter Scott Weeks. At the Longacre.

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PASTOR'S HEART HIS ONLY ASSET

By Ted Benson

BOB PASTOR fought a draw with Eddie Simms. Joe Louis kayoed Simms in 18 seconds.

There doesn't seem to be much else one can say about the bout to take place between Pastor and Louis than the above statement.

Except for one thing, Joe Louis has it all over Bob in every department of the game. That one thing is heart. When it comes to what the sissy sports writers call intestinal fortitude, no one in the business has anything on young Bob Pastor.

Pastor has never measured an opponent's size before signing to fight him. Nor has he ever tried to measure the power of his punch. Throw 'em in the ring and they're all the same, seems to be his motto.

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He Takes 'Em Big

OFFERED a bout with Ray Impellitiere, the giant Italian, he signed without ever batting an eye knowing that the big Imp had 40 pounds on him and plenty of height and reach to boot.

What he did to the Imp is history. He took everything the giant had and came back for more and then he proceeded to knock the big boy for a loop.

But I fear me that heart won't be enough when he tangles with jolting Joe. Because Mr. Louis has a few of those things himself.

Joe showed what he had when he took everything that Moxie Schmeling could throw his way for as long as any human being could take a beating.

I like Joe Louis and I like Bob Pastor, too. That is why I am sorry it is not someone else who will have take poor Bob over the jumps when the bell rings on the night of the 29th at the Garden.

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Keep It Coming, Friends!

THE business office informs me that the dough is still trickling in for the Daily Worker's Campaign.

The business office, known as the B.O., consists of a lot of guys who can add a column of figures quicker than you can say "Boo" at a picture of Hitler.

But their complaint is they haven't got enough figures to add. So help the boys along by sending large sums for them to add up. Thanks, nice people!

'Little Man, What Now' My Eye!

Lion Quintet Gains Respect Of Critics

Adds Guile to Speed and Toughness to Lead E. I. L.

There's another basketball team in town that rates a little attention. It's Columbia, perennial orphan of the basketball writers.

The Lions play in the Eastern Intercollegiate League, which is not rated in the same general class as free lance teams like Manhattan Duquesne, Villanova, St. Joseph's, Temple, C.C.N.Y., and others. So because of the company they keep, the court lions are played down a bit. They have to be extra good to get any notice.

Truth to tell, Paul Mooney's big, tireless team is beginning to look a bit of extra good. In swamping Princeton the other night they amazed with their evident improvement and smoothness. Spectators seeing them for the first time expected a wild and wooly racing up and down the floor, with gym-length passes and football take-outs.

STAMINA PLUS

Nothing of the sort. They are fast and aggressive, but also basketball players. O'Brien, and Casey moved the ball around brilliantly and cut fast after feinting, while Wolff, Macioce and Vollmer are tough, hard to handle ball hounds who plug consistently and make breaks. Ganzemuller is a good shot, and handy around the basket. And, most important of all, they can keep going all day at the same speed. Mooney's teams are generally the best conditioned of any metropolitan squad.

Suprisingly enough, the main league opposition this year is expected to come from Harvard, of all teams. The Crimson has suddenly blossomed out with a group of tall and talented basketeers, and Cambridge is undergoing a revival of interest in the game. White, Lupien and Struck are the fair-haired boys of the squad that has already endeared itself to the school by shellacking Princeton.

Gophers May Play In East Next Year

Team From Farmer-Labor State May Face Cream of the Eastern Crop in Post-Season Intersectional Frolic—Game Would Be for Charity

By Doc Daugherty

The Gophers may play in the East next season. Out of the West may come the famous football team from the Farmer-Labor state, riding high. And their opponents may be Princeton or Yale or whoever happens to be the outstanding team of the East.

This possibility is held forth as a result of the announcement of Big Bill Edwards, who is attempting to arrange a post-season intersectional game for the east. The game would be for charity.

Few eastern teams of the so-called and non-existent "Ivy League" play intersectional games. They avoid the various Bowl spectacles as do the teams of the Midwest Conference. As a result there has been no adequate test of power between the leading elevens of the east and the mid-west. This has resulted in the general opinion that such subsidized teams as L.S.U., Texas Christian, S.M.U., and certain Coast and Southern teams which proselyte for players are the cream of the land.

Eastern and mid-west fans deplore this situation. They would welcome an eastern big game and they would certainly welcome the Minnesota Big Boys, who have never shown east of the Alleghanies.

Violet Trackmen In Meet En Masse

Coach Emil Von Elling has entered a team of forty-three New York University athletes in the 69th Regiment A. A. meet, to be held Saturday, Jan. 16 at the 69th Regiment Armory. The Violet trackmen are entered in nine events. Four N.Y.U. students will also compete unattached in the same meet.

HOCKEY STANDINGS

American Division

	W.	L.	T.	Pts.
Detroit	13	7	4	30
Rangers	12	7	4	28
Boston	11	9	3	25
Chicago	6	11	6	18

International Division

	W.	L.	T.	Pts.
Canadiens	14	9	1	30
Maroons	9	10	6	24
Toronto	8	13	2	18
Americans	7	13	3	17

With the High Schools

Tomorrow marks the windup of this term's hoop wars on the P.S.A.L. circuit and a marking time of three weeks until the final month's activity of the season in the new semester begins. In every section except division 1 of Brooklyn, where the battle rages hotly, the outcome of the season can be predicted with reasonable accuracy.

Clinton and Seward Park are the ace high leaders of their divisions, each with a perfect record of five wins. In the southern section of Brooklyn, Lincoln is the top heavy favorite, with Tilden the erstwhile shining star definitely out of the championship picture with a forfeiture of two games and a loss of two other contests. The Honest Abes' position was strengthened by its victory Tuesday over Erasmus, its nearest contender.

In division 1 it's every man's fight. Brooklyn Tech is on top, closely trailed by Jefferson, Hamilton and Eastern District. Sharp realignments can be expected when Jefferson clashes with Eastern District and Hamilton comes up against Brooklyn Tech.

OFF THE GRIDDLE

Hot Stove League Simmers as Spring Training Nears—First Baseman Takes to Outfield

Feel the breath of that coming baseball season. . . . Rumors, denials—players in "best shape of career" . . . won't sign for less than $20,000 on Tuesday, announce on Wednesday how "highly satisfied" they are with the $8,000. . . .

What they are saying—Keep your eyes on three young pitchers with the Athletics . . . Herman Fink, Randy Gumpert and Lee Ross . . . Gumpert pitched a couple of two hitters when he got over his nervousness, and Ross, who beat the champ Yanks three out of five, may outshine the much heralded Bob Feller.

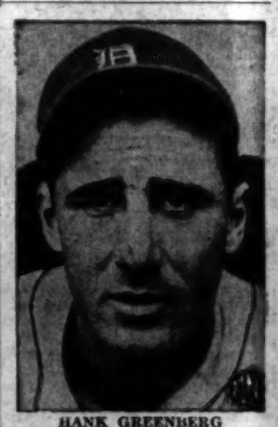
HANDS OFF

Burleigh Grimes has a stipulation in his contract that says he bosses the Dodgers without any interference from the front office. . . . Memphis Bill Terry thinks the Giants new infield of Johnny McCarthy at first, Whitehead at second, Bartell at short and Chiozza at third will be the class of the league. . . . American League outfields may boast two great first basemen this season . . . Jimmy Foxx and Hank Greenberg will be the new patrolmen . . . Jimmy Cronin expects to use himself and the returning Babe Dahlgren at the initial sack for the Gold Sox . . . Mickey Cochran is counting on Rudy York, slugger from Milwaukee taking over the sack for the Tigers . . . from what we hear of Rudy, no pitchers will be able to sing, "I got a cousin from Milwaukee" at him! . . .

The Gashouse Gang's catching staff will be composed of three youngsters . . . Brusie Ogrodowski, Mickey Owen and Paul Chervinko. . . . Watch out for Eddie Wilson, Dodger's rookie outfielder . . . Eddie, up from the Allentown farm, was just beginning to make them sit up and take notice when he was beaned by a fast ball. . . . He'll be back patrolling that Bedford Avenue concrete wall. . . . About 60 per cent of the players coming up to the majors this Spring are collegians. . . . Jake Ruppert doesn't think baseball is dying—the Colonel is spending no less than $350,000 to add 8,000 seats to the Yankee Stadium. . . .

Peannts, popcorn, scorecard—can't tell the players without a scorecard. . . .

L. R.



HANK GREENBERG

Ready to Master Mind

CHICAGO, Jan. 13 (UP). — Charlie Grimm signed his 1937 contract today as non-playing manager of the National League Chicago Cubs. Salary terms were not announced. Grimm's decision to direct his team from the bench was taken as an indication that Rip Collins, purchased from the St. Louis Cardinals last fall, will see most of the action at first base. Phil Cavarretta probably will go to the outfield.

Goday After Fame Tonight

Meets Roper at Star with Eye on Barlund Bout

Heavyweights will occupy the feature spot on tonight's boxing program at the Star Casino.

Arturo Godoy whose two sensational draws with Al Ettore and Leroy Haynes at the Hippodrome have established him as one of the outstanding foreign heavyweights, now campaigning in this country, meets Jack Roper, the fighting giant of a fighting family.

The Chilean is aiming for a bout with Gunnar Barlund, the Finnish bruiser who has to date toppled all opponents in his American starts. A victory over Barlund would help Godoy in his claim for a shot at Joe Louis. Of course, Arturo will first have to hurdle the Roper obstacle tonight, and that will be no easy matter.

Jack proved his worth with knockout victories over Art Lasky and Eddie Mader and winning the nod over Abe Feldman in a ten round bout recently. Fighting Jack who is a brother of Tom and Bob who fought the best among the big boys during their time, is an aggressive two-fisted battler who should give the South American plenty of trouble.

The semi-final brings together a couple of Irish-American lightweights, Eddie Reilly and Johnny Toomey who will provide the fireworks for six rounds, preceding the main event.

The program is rounded out with five fours.

Glenn and Gene Again

Glenn Cunningham of Kansas and Gene Venzke of Pennsylvania, will renew their running feud here Saturday night in the 1,000 yard run of the 69th Regiment Athletic Association's 2nd annual track and field meet, Col. A. E. Anderson announced today.

Court Notes

The drooping Violets of N.Y.U. may finally crash into the victory column at the Garden tomorrow night. . . . the long-delayed return of Irv Terjeson, scrappy veteran center, should give the city lads the edge over North Carolina. . . . the Tarheels are loaded for revenge . . . remember that terrific pasting they took last winter when N.Y.U. was the last word in basketball prowess . . . how Rubenstein, Maidman, Klein, Witty, Terjeson and Schulman clicked against the amazed Southerners that night. . . .

A Mr. Bob Spessard of W. & L. is the big man in the second game on the program. . . . this center who faces L.I.U.'s tough young Sqwitch is six feet, seven and a half inches tall and averaged 16 points per game last year. . . . they say he's even better than Hank Luisetti of Stanford. . . . there go two more gray hairs in Clair Bee's head.

They say that the Syracuse basketball team is about as classy an outfit as you can find in a week's travel around the countryside. . . . Ed Sonderman, center, is just as good as he feels like being in the particular game. . . . and there are three sophomores from what Taps Gallagher of Niagara called the "greatest freshman team I ever saw." . . . L.I.U. vs. Syracuse?

Today's Events

BOXING

Star Casino—Arturo Godoy vs. Jack Roper, ten rounds; Eddie Relasy vs. Johnny Toomey, six rounds; Jimmy Casablanca vs. Frank Veiga, Richard Cabello vs. Lew Feriuna, Herman Nagovitch vs. Pete Vitello, Al Bernard vs. Frank Ushroy, Tom Ponie vs. Solly Pace, four rounds each.

WRESTLING

Hippodrome—Dave Levin vs. Eddie Malone, to a finish; Gino Marinelli vs. Henry La Sarles, Steve Pazsas vs. King Kong, Dr. John Murphy vs. Felix Zybszko, Babee Ali vs. George Becker, Maurice La Chappelle vs. Ivan Pedubny, Joe Corbett vs. Tony Fio Rito, time limit.

White Plains Armory—Nick Campofreda vs. Al Billings, to a finish; Ralph Garibaldi vs. Al Goldberg, Tony Garibaldi vs. Harry Finkelstein, Eli Fischer vs. Sandor Vary, Tommy Nilan vs. Lee Ryan, time limit.

HOCKEY

Detroit at Rangers.

WHAT'S ON

Tonight

ANNA LOUISE STRONG, 1st New York Lecture. "Europe's Destiny — War or Peace?" 8:30 P. M. Hunts Point Palace, Southern Boulevard and 163rd St. Ausp.: A.P.S.U. Bronx Chapter. Subs. 25c.

OFF to Spain! Mass Farewell Party for surgeons and nurses sailing with America's first hospital unit for Spain. Speakers: Congressman John T. Bernard, who cast sole vote against Spanish "neutrality" bill; Dr. Henry E. Sigerist, director Institute of History of Medicine at John Hopkins University; Chairman, Colonel Frank T. Woodbury, M. D., Manhattan Opera House, 34th St. and 8th Ave. 8 P.M. Tickets, 25c, 55c and $1.10, on sale at Medical Bureau, 30 Vesey Street, and Workers Bookshops.

SCOTT NEARING, "The Economics of Accumulation," Labor Temple, 14th St. and Second Avenue. 8:30 P.M.

REX PITKIN, of Daily Worker Staff, introduces discussion on "The Policy of the Soviet Union on Spain." Adm. Any coin as a contribution for the Daily Worker. Ausp.: Downtown People's Center, 116 University Place, cor. 13th St. 8:45 P.M.

"TEN Days That Shook The World." People's Educational Center, 123 Second Ave. Adm. 10c. 8 P.M. sharp.

SEE Artef's "260,000" before it closes! Artef, 247 W. 48th St. Benefit Performance. Tickets, 75c, $1 and $1.50. On sale at Department Store Union, 80 E. 11th St. Room 233. 8 P.M.

Tomorrow

DON'T MISS THE LENIN-LIEBKNECHT-LUXEMBOURG mass pageant. Hear Gil Green, national secretary of the Y.C.L., speak on anti-war fight. Dance to Elmer Snowden's swing orchestra. St. Nicholas Palace, 66th Street and Columbus Ave. Tickets 40c at Workers Bookshop. 8 P.M. sharp.

ANNA LOUISE STRONG arrived Wednesday. First Brooklyn appearance. "Is it World War in Spain?" Erasmus Hall High School, Flatbush and Church Aves. Ausp.: A.P.S.U. Chairman Rev. H. P. Ratsaig. Adm. 25c. 8:30 P.M.

DANCE and Entertainment. Come one, come all. Friends and sympathizers of the Striking Seamen are assured of a good time. Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St., near 2nd Ave. Ausp.: Waterfront Section of the C.P. 8:30 P.M.

"MAKING of a Fresco"—a film by Leo Seltzer and also a Fresco Demonstration by Louis Ross and Louis Schanker, in connection with exhibition of "Art Methods and Materials." American Artists' School, 131 W. 14th St., in Gallery. 8:30 P.M. Adm. 25c.

COCKTAIL Party and Concert. All profit for Daily Worker. 2940 W. 29th St. (Kelser). Ausp.: Br. 2 C.P., Sec. 17, Coney Island. Adm. 50c. 9 P.M.

LECTURE by Carl Brodsky. Topic: "Roosevelt And His Promises—Before the Election. Will He Keep Them?" Zukunft Br. 247 I.W.O. 8:30 P.M.

MASS Meeting to Aid Spain. De Witt Clinton High School. Speakers: Roger Baldwin, Prof. Fernandes, I. Lederman, M. Gates and Eleanor Brannon. Adm. 25c. 8:30 P. M. Ausp.: Van Cortlandt Committee to Aid Spain.

FREE Esperanto Course every Friday, 8 P.M. Complete course 12 weeks. Correspondence contacts, for every student, from Soviet Union. IWO Hall, 103-02 39th Ave., Corona, L. I.

FACTS and Frauds in Foods and Medicines. Do you know what well-advertised foods and drugs are really dangerous? Hear Dr. Joseph Pierce Friday night at 8:40 P.M. at the Workers School. Adm. 25c. Ausp.: Medical Advisory Board.

Coming

THIRTEENTH ANNIVERSARY of Daily Worker. Savoy Ball Room, 140th St. and Lenox Ave. Ausp.: Daily Worker Harlem Bureau. January 16.

DANCE, prance, snappy orchestra. Fun, frolic, games, gaiety. Steinway Hall, 113 W. 57th St. Suite 604. Ausp.: Get Acquainted Club. Subs. 25c. Saturday, Jan. 16. 8 P.M.

VICTORY Dance and Entertainment. Percy Dodd and his orchestra. The Convulsionaries—Betty and her Puppets and others. Dublin Palace Hall, 5th Avenue and Baltic St., Brooklyn. BMT to Pacific St. or IRT to Bergen St. Adm. 40c. Ausp.: United Progressive Rank and File of Cafeteria Workers Union, Local 328. All proceeds to the Daily and Sunday Worker. Jan. 6.

ALL Negro Talent Nite in a classical program of song and dance. James W. Ford as Guest of Honor. English, Russian and Jewish songs by James A. Lillard, tenor; Ethelbert Haynes, baritone; Bertha Joseph, pianist, and Ella Gordon's Peter Pan Kiddies, classical dance group. Social dancing to a specially snappy orchestra will follow the entertainment. Adm. 35c. IWO Center, 663 Allerton Ave., Bronx. Lexington Avenue White Plains train to Allerton Ave. Auspices: C.P. 6 A.D. Benefit Daily Worker. Jan. 16. 8:30 P.M.

HELP establish neighborhood nursery and enjoy house party, dancing, variety entertainment, good eats and everything. Greenspoon, 250 E. 13th St., Apt. 3. Subs. 35c. Jan. 16. 8 P.M.

ATTENTION Everybody! The New Dance Group is presenting a select program consisting of solo dancers, Miriam Blecher and Jane Dudley; Group numbers; Ballet, "The Village Without Men," a ballet on Nazi Germany. Come to the Playhouse of Henry St. Settlement, 466 Grand St., near Delancy St., subway station (BMT). You'd better get your tickets now at New Dance Group, 5 E. 16th St. or New Dance League, 112 W. 48th St. Adm. 35c and 40c., or call GRamercy 5-3971, evenings. Sunday, Jan. 17. 8:45 P. M.

BENEFIT performance Daily Worker. Eternal Mask, complete English dialogue titles. The Filmarte, 202 W. 58th St., near 7th Ave. Adm. 55c. Sponsored by the United Front Club. Performances, 6:05, 8:03, 9:45 P.M. Monday, Jan. 18.

DEAR FRED: Just a few lines to tell you that the whole crowd is planning to go to the American Youth Congress (N. Y. C. Council) Washington Pilgrimage Ball on Saturday evening, Jan. 23, at the Center Ball Room, 204 W. 49th St. Tony Kraber of the Group Theatre's current Broadway hit, Johnny Johnson, will be the guest artist and a clever skit, "Dictatorial Blues" will be given by some of the boys from the 92nd St. "Y." In addition to all this, the well-known Consolidated Dance Group will perform. The tickets are only 80 cents. An all-expense Washington Pilgrimage Trip will be given away. We can dance till all hours to the Varsity Club Orchestra, so be sure to keep the evening of Jan. 23 open to go with us to the American Youth Congress Pilgrimage Ball! We'll meet you there at 9 o'clock. Yours, Tom.

Registration Notice

SOCIAL Dance Group classes in waltz, foxtrot, etc. For men and women. Beginners. Registration daily, 2-10 P. M. 94 Fifth Ave., near 14th St. GRamercy 3-9264 Ausp.: Pallas.

BROWNSVILLE WORKERS SCHOOL, 106 Thatford Ave. Courses in Marxism, Leninism, etc. Registration every evening 7-10 P.M. Term begins Monday, January 18. Fee $1.50 per course.

"CURRENT Events: A survey of the news of the week," with Milton Howard. Begins Saturday, Jan. 16, 2:30 P.M. at the Workers School, 35 E. 12th St. Tuition fee: $1.25 for six weeks.

WORKERS SCHOOL Winter Term Registration now going on. Many new courses offered. For descriptive catalogue, write to the School Office, 35 E. 12th St.

MANDOLIN VIRTUOSO Sol Goichberg will be the instructor of the beginners' class of the Freiheit Mandolin Orchestra, 106 E. 14th St. Class opens Friday, Jan. 15, at 8 P.M. Children from the age of 10 and adults to the age of 30 should come. Number of applicants is limited.

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